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BOYSE—January 6, 1940, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Patricia, wife of Mervyn Boyse, Bannow House, Co. Wexford, a son.

LEAVEY—December 30, 1939, at Leinster Nursing Home, to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Leavey, Soho House, Multyfarnham, a son.

MURSE—December 13, 1939, at Kuching General Hospital, Sarawak, to Frances Lily (nee Hobbert), wife of Leonard Kearney Morse, a daughter.

SCOTT—January 5, 1940, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Mary, wife of William Scott, 43 Wellington road, and Enniskillen, a son.

WACHMAN—January 3, 1940, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Peggy (nee Merion), wife of Norman Wachman, of Boulders, Foxrock, a son.

MARRIAGES.

COE and BYRNE—December 27, 1939, at St. Patrick's Church, Dalkey, by the Rev. C. S. Collins, M.A., Jack Coltman, Lieutenant, A.D. Corps, elder son of Major and Mrs. A. C. Coe, of Malta, to Ida Geraldine, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Byrne, of Dalkey.

FitzGERALD and LEONARD—December 28, 1939, at St. Bartholomew's Church, Clyde road, Dublin, by the Rev. A. W. F. Orr, B.D., assisted by the Rev. Canon W. Simpson (Vicar), Martin FitzGerald, Washington Lodge, Sligo, to Kathleen Margaret, younger daughter of R. G. L. Leonard, K.C., and Mrs. Leonard, Pembroke Park, Dublin.

DEATHS.

ARMSTRONG—January 6, 1940, Anne Jane Armstrong, Rathosey, Coolaney, Co. Sligo, aged 82 years.

ARMSTRONG—January 7, 1940, at 3 Madison road, Albert, beloved and loving husband of Mary Armstrong, aged 76, after long illness.

BARNETT—January 5, 1940, J. Bolton Barnett, dearly-loved son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Barnett, of 6 Sunbury avenue, Sheen, London, at St. Aubyn's Nursing Home, Hove, in his 51st year.

COX—January 8, 1940, at a private nursing home, Dublin, Teresa, widow of the late Dr. Leo Cox, St. Finda, Sandford road, Clonskea. R.I.P. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing children and relatives. Funeral, after 10 o'clock Mass to-morrow (Wednesday), from Church of Sacred Heart, Donnybrook.

DAGG—January 6, 1940, Thomas Samuel (suddenly), at his residence, Altamont, 4 Kincora road, Clontarf, beloved husband of Elizabeth Jane Dagg. Funeral and Service, Mount Jerome, this (Tuesday) morning, 12.15. "Peace, perfect peace."

DUTHIE—January 7, 1940, at her residence, Marina, Athy, Charlotte, beloved wife of James Duthie. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), 2 o'clock, to St. Michael's, Athy. "Peace, perfect peace."

FINLAY (Dublin)—January 8, 1940, at a nursing home, Rev. T. A. Finlay, S.J. Office and Requiem Mass, 11 a.m., St. Francis Xavier's, Upper Gardiner street, to-morrow (Wednesday), January 10. Funeral to Glasnevin. R.I.P.

GALLAGHER—January 8, 1940, at 12 Clarinda Park, Dunleary, Ellen Gallagher, sister of the late P. M. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal. Deeply regretted. Remains will be removed from St. Michael's Church by road to-day (Tuesday), arriving Ardara, Co. Donegal, about 5 p.m. Funeral, after 11 o'clock Mass to-morrow (Wednesday), to family burial ground, Ardara. At noon To-morrow.

GIVEN—January 7, 1940, the Rev. Marcus H. M. Given, B.A., Rector of St. Mary's, Athlone, beloved husband of Olive Given. Funeral to-day (Tuesday), 1.15, at Dalkey Parish Church, arriving Dean's Grange at 2 o'clock. No flowers.

GRAY—January 7, 1940, at her residence, Drumlish, Co. Longford, Ellen, widow of the late Dr. Matthew Donoghue Gray. Remains left for St. Mary's Church, Drumlish, yesterday (Monday) evening. Office and High Mass at 11 o'clock to-day (Tuesday). Funeral at 2.30 o'clock same day to Ballymacormack.

HENECY—January 8, 1940, at his residence, 15 Newbridge avenue, Sandymount, John Henecy, R.I.P. Remains will be removed to the Church of Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Sandymount, this (Tuesday) evening at 6.15 o'clock. Mass at 9 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday). House and funeral strictly private, by request. No flowers; Masses and prayers instead.

HOPE-JOHNSTONE—January 8, 1940, at Rock Lodge, Trim, Ann Evelyn Hope-Johnstone, widow of the late Captain Percy Hope-Johnstone (60th Rifles), Ardsallagh, Navan, aged 91. Funeral private. No flowers or mourning, by request.

JESSOP—January 8, 1940, at his residence, Bank place, Maryborough, very suddenly, George Neville, beloved husband of Maude Jessop, and only surviving son of the late William Jessop, Bank place, and Mrs. Jessop, Kellyville Park, Maryborough. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday), 10th, at 12.30 to St. Peter's.

McKEEVER—January 7, 1940, at her residence, Market square, Navan, Annie, relict of the late John McKeever. High Mass, 11 o'clock, to-day (Tuesday). Funeral immediately after.

MILES—January 4, 1940, at Ravensdale, Rowan Park, Blackrock, Mary, second daughter of the late Rev. Thomas Miles, Rector of Fennor, Co. Tipperary. Interred at Dean's Grange on 8th January.

NEVILLE—December 22, 1939, at Savile Court, Felixstowe, the Revd. Brent Neville, late Rector of Holbrook, Suffolk.

SPLAINE—January 8, 1940, Frances Splaine, at Bernard Cottage, Killiney, after a brief illness. Funeral to Dean's Grange Cemetery to-morrow (Wednesday), 11 a.m. "Peace, perfect peace."

TULLY—January 7, 1940, at his residence, 92 Lindsay road, Glasnevin, James H. Tully, late of L.G.B. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains were removed to St. Columba's Church, Iona road, yesterday (Monday) evening. Funeral, after 10 o'clock Mass, this (Tuesday) morning.

VINING—January 4, 1940 (suddenly), at his residence, 22 Worthing road, Southsea, Hants, Engineer Rear-Admiral H. P. Vining, R.N., aged 77 years.

WREN—January 6, 1940, at 52 Blessington street, Dublin, Monica Wren, sister of the late Patrick Wren, Auctioneer. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday), January 10th, after 10 o'clock Mass, from St. Joseph's Church, Berkeley street.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. Carr and son, Portmarnock, wish to thank their many kind friends who sent Mass cards, wreaths, telegrams and letters of sympathy to them in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM.

CARTER—In loving memory of dear mother, whom God called Home, January 9th, 1935. —Dad and family.

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See Advertisements under Situations Vacant

BRAVERY OF ZOUAVES

SURPRISE ACTION

FROM "THE TIMES" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

WESTERN FRONT, Monday.

The Eighth Regiment of Zouaves, men from which formed part of the guard of honour this afternoon, was one of the first French units to establish contact with the enemy last September. The action, in which thirty-five of the men present to-day won their Croix de Guerre, was the first action of this war of which details have been released for publication.

On September 27 orders were received at battalion headquarters that the wooded hill on Oberperl, on German soil near the Luxemburg frontier, where the enemy had established a strong centre of resistance, must be cleared.

The battalion was given the choice of attacking it after artillery preparations or of attempting a surprise action without support from the guns. They chose the second course, and at 4.30 a.m. on September 28 moved forward in the blackness of a moonless night.

The vanguard of thirty-five men slipped silently into the wood. They were under the command of a young lieutenant, who is described officially as being "full of ardour," and a sergeant. They soon made contact with the enemy, whose sentries, in the dry words of the *communiqué*, were "successfully killed at their posts." Resistance stiffened at once.

The rest of the company followed the thirty-five into the darkness of the wood, which was now being stabbed by the burst of hand grenades and the flash of machine-guns. Artillery came to the support of the French and the defenders gave ground, leaving the wood in the hands of the intruders.

While mopping up the ground captured, the Zouaves took five machine-guns, 2,000 rounds of ammunition, and twelve prisoners. The value of their surprise tact is was shown by the small numbers of the casualties they suffered, as they lost only four wounded and no dead.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED IN RAIL MISHAP

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

Seven soldiers travelling home on leave were killed and nineteen injured in a train accident near Orly, about six miles outside Paris, on Saturday. Publication of the news was delayed so that the families of those concerned could be officially informed first.

Three trains were involved, and there was a thick fog at the time. As the first train carrying soldiers stopped outside Orly, the second, also carrying troops, ran into it. It was, however, travelling slowly.

The occupants of both trains got out, but as they were crossing the down line another train passed, killing seven and injuring nineteen.

South Tyrone Poultry-Keepers' Association.—Mr. T. J. Cuddy (chairman) presiding—elected the following office-bearers at the annual meeting in Dungannon on Saturday evening:—Chairman, Mr. Cuddy; vice-chairmen, Messrs. W. M. Buchanan and J. Devlin; hon. secretary, Mrs. D. C. Gamble; assistant secretary, Miss J. Davidson, hon. treasurer, Mrs. M. Nedwell; representatives to Farmers' Union meetings, Mrs. Nedwell and Mr. Cuddy. Committee—Mrs. Kelly, Miss P. Steenson, Miss McNulty, Mrs. McBride, Messrs. J. H. Steenson, J. Shiells and P. Quinn.

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The famous Spa elements in Fynnon Salt, Sodium, Potassium and Lithium, are Nature's own tonic for liver and kidneys. They are also powerful solvents of acid crystals. Thus the cruel rheumatic toxins are quickly released and rinsed away. The pains and stiffness which you feared would plague you to the end of your days, now "disappear into thin air." You are fit and free again. Large tin, a month's supply, 1/6.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE HERON

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In the notice of Miss Sackville West's "Country Notes" in your issue of to-day your reviewer asks whether there is any law in this country giving protection to herons.

Under the late Senator Brown's Wild Birds Protection Act (1930) the heron is given the same limited degree of protection that is given to other "non-scheduled" birds: in other words, it may not be killed between March 1st and August 1st, except on lands whose owner has given orders that it is to be destroyed.

This limitation to the degree of protection accorded to the "coreesk" has, as some of your readers will remember, been the subject of much controversy, arising out of the belief entertained by some, but rejected by other owners of fishery rights, that the bird's existence is a menace to salmon and trout. The law of the land gives these owners the full right to follow their own judgment in each individual case. I am happy to say that the committee of this Society has in the course of correspondence received from many owners of land on which heronries are established assurances that the birds are fully protected, while in some instances we have the additional assurance that their presence is found, on the whole, rather helpful to the upkeep of a good supply of fish. It is a matter of common knowledge that the late Colonel Claude Cane was a strong authority on this point. I may add that the breeding of the bird is further protected in two of our Southern counties (Tipperary and Cork) by orders which the County Council have induced the Department of Justice to issue, forbidding the taking or destruction of the heron's eggs.—Yours, etc.,

C. B. MOFFAT, Hon. Secretary.
The Irish Society for Protection of Birds, Dublin, January 6th, 1940.

"LIGHTS OUT!"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Every driver of a motor car will, no doubt, agree with Justice Gleeson that the enforcement of the Traffic Act is more honoured in the breach than in the observance.

The increase of late in the number of basket boys on bicycles is phenomenal, and the vast majority carry no lights of any kind. It seems impossible to induce the citizen and his wife to cross the road at a right angle to the pathway, to say nothing about using legitimate crossing places. We ourselves have no idea of keeping in our proper lanes of traffic, but pass one another on the left at cross-roads or elsewhere.

May I, however, point out that isolated severe penalties, as advocated in your leader, are by no means so effective as inevitability of detection?

In the old days the death penalty was not so effective in preventing breaches of the law as our modern method of police patrol.

Prevention is far better than punishment.—Yours, etc.,

JAMES HENRY WEBB.
14 South Frederick street, Dublin,
January 8th, 1940.

A QUERY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Would any of your helpful readers be so good as to let me know who was the prominent politician of another generation who was described as "the Melancholy Humbug," and when, where and by whom he was first so described?—Yours, etc.,

"DEMOSTHENES."

Dublin, January 8th, 1940.

HAW HAW

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Can anybody tell me why, if this country is neutral, the German announcer, Rolf Hoffman (otherwise Lord Haw Haw) nightly makes statements calculated to endanger good relations between this country and Great Britain? I cannot believe that the rulers of this sovereign State are aware of these statements, or, perhaps, they dismiss them as another instance of "codology."—Yours, etc.,

JOHN R. WADDY, M.B.
80 Ranelagh, Dublin, January 6th, 1940.

"CODOLOGY"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Perhaps it will be permitted to cast another shadow on the obscurity of English as spoken by the excited There may be a connection between "codology" of Mr. Dillon and "bags" of "Earnest Layman" in so far as the Anglo-Saxon cod means a bag or wallet. It survives in pease-cod. But one is inclined rather to seek a connection with code. The silent "e" sometimes falls out when a word is compounded with another. So codology may be a doublet of codification. Codification is "the collection, condensation, systematising, and reconciling of what is scattered or contradictory." What better description could there be of a well-edited newspaper? In this sense codology might be a suitable description of a National Government, but as there may not be a Gaelic translation for this meaning it might be difficult for it to win public acceptance.—Yours, etc.,

E. W. GREENING.
The Church of Ireland Gazette,
61 Middle Abbey street, Dublin,
January 8th, 1940.

The choir of Whiteabbey Congregational Church walked 30 miles carol singing and collected £20 for the Barnardo Homes.

LORD CRAIGAVON'S BIRTHDAY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

Viscount Craigavon, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, received many congratulations to-day on attaining his sixty-ninth birthday. Lord Craigavon has been Premier of Northern Ireland for 19 years—a longer term as head of a Government than any other Prime Minister in the British Commonwealth.

Sir Crawford M'Cullagh, Bart., Lord Mayor of Belfast, sent this message:—

"On behalf of the citizens of Belfast, my wife and myself send you hearty congratulations and wish you many happy returns of your birthday."

The Prime Minister replied:—

"Very many thanks for your cordial greetings. I hope you will be spared for many years to carry out the onerous duties of Chief Magistrate of our capital city."

SHIP ATTACKED BY SUBMARINE OFF NORWAY

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

OSLO, Monday.

The dramatic escape from a submarine of a ship whose name is not given is reported in a telegram from Flekkefjord (Western Norway).

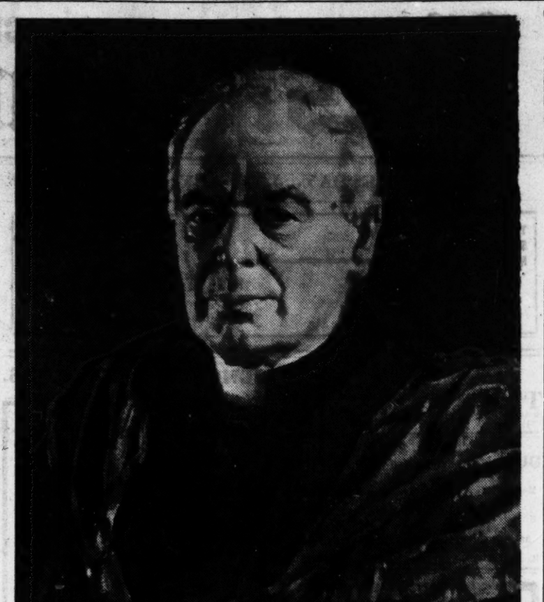
The submarine appeared on the surface when the ship was ten miles from the Lista Lighthouse.

The ship stopped immediately, but the submarine, it is alleged, began machine-gunning the vessel, and the bridge and superstructure were struck with bullets. As no torpedo was fired, however, the captain ordered the ship to proceed at full speed while it was still being fired at.

The vessel escaped, and anchored safely at Flekkefjord.

ST. PATRICK'S

A view of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.



A reproduction of the portrait, painted by Mr. Leo Whelan, R.H.A., of the Rev. T. A. Finlay, S.J., whose death has taken place.

DEATH OF FATHER TOM FINLAY, S.J.

A CO-OPERATIVE PIONEER

EDUCATIONAL AND OTHER INTERESTS

WORK FOR WELFARE OF THE FARMER

WE regret to announce that the Rev. Thomas A. Finlay, S.J., died yesterday at a nursing home in Dublin, at an advanced age. Father Finlay, who was popularly known as Father "Tom" Finlay, was born in County Cavan, the son of the late Mr. William Finlay, an engineer, and he joined the Society of Jesus in 1866, after being educated at St. Patrick's College, Cavan, and at the Jesuit College of St. Acheul, near Amiens. After his novitiate he went to the Gregorian University in Rome, and later studied in Germany, where he first made contact with the agricultural policy which was to influence his work in Ireland. He taught Classics in the Crescent College, Limerick, and then went to St. Beuno's, Wales, to study theology. A year after he was ordained, in 1882, he became Rector of Belvedere College, where he was responsible for many improvements, and where he wrote a series of text-books and other books, which are widely used in Ireland.

In 1885, while still Rector of Belvedere, Father Finlay took up duties as Professor of Metaphysics in the new University College, Dublin, in connection with the Royal University of Ireland. It was the beginning of a long career, which ended in 1930, when he retired from his post as Professor of Political Economy, having taught his classes without a break for forty-seven years. He had exchanged the Chair of Metaphysics for that of Political Economy at a time when his public life was coming to be more and more associated with the co-operative movement in this country.

Father Finlay left Belvedere in 1888, and moved to the old college at Stephen's Green, where he remained until the Jesuit community was transferred to Leeson street in 1908. In 1887 he founded a monthly magazine, the "Lyceum," to which he and his brother, Father Peter, contributed many brilliant articles. His own interests were now centring on the economic problems of Irish life, and this new aspect of his work was apparent in the pages of the "New Ireland Review," which he founded, to replace the "Lyceum," in 1894. He remained editor of this new review until 1910, when it, in turn, yielded to the newly-founded quarterly review, "Studies."

THE CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT

For most of his active life Father Finlay's name was identified with the Co-Operative Movement. When Sir Horace Plunkett started the active movement for co-operation in Ireland, with the help of Mr. R. A. Anderson, so far back as the year 1899, Father Finlay became at once deeply interested in it. He joined Sir Horace and they worked cordially together, preaching and urging co-operation in every way that was open to them, with the aid of Sir Horace's purse and a small grant of money that was given to them by the Co-Operative Union of Great Britain.

Thus they carried on the movement for five years, and out of it sprang the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society, which was founded in 1894. Under the presidency of Sir Horace Plunkett and the vice-presidency of Father Finlay that organisation grew and gained strength year by year. The work which it accomplished for the farming community, North, South, East and West, was of immense value. The watchword of the Association was, "Better farming, better living," and that watchword was acted up to in a manner that promised substantial prosperity to the farming and industrial community.

EFFECT OF GREAT WAR

The outbreak of the European War in 1914, however, came as a blight on this, as on other interests, and to some extent disintegrated its forces. Those who participated in the annual meetings of the association in Leinster House (the very room in which the Dail now meets) will remember the interesting and encouraging reports then heard of the activities of the co-operative societies throughout the country, and also the addresses of Sir Horace Plunkett and Father Finlay. The Managing Committee, which was composed of men of different creeds and political opinions, regarded their Vice-President with respect and affection, and looked upon him as one of their ablest and most trusted colleagues. With them he was always "Father Tom."

Father Finlay was especially interested in the co-operative movement because of its educational value, and of its effect upon the character of the people, who carried out its teaching. He was particularly interested in the remarkable success of a Co-operative Society at Templecrone, County Donegal, the presiding genius of which was Mr. Paddy Gallagher. He paid a visit to the factory every year as long as his health permitted.

THE PROVIDENCE MILLS

He was, perhaps, more proud of his work for the Providence Mills at Foxford, which had been established by the Irish Sisters of Charity, than of any other work in his life. But he was always ready to give a helping hand in any constructive work for the prosperity of the country, and his voice was heard on many platforms, often in most remote districts. He was no less willing to let his views be known where his influence might count for good. In 1912-'14 he was a leading member of the Departmental Committee on Agricultural Credit. Some years later, when the Sinn Fein movement had altered the whole trend of Irish life, he gave important evidence before the Commission of Inquiry into the Resources of Ireland, which was set up by Dail Eireann in 1919-'21.

EDUCATION

Apart from his work for agricultural co-operation, Father Finlay took a keen interest in educational problems. When the number of the Intermediate Education Commissioners was increased by Act of Parliament, Father Finlay and the late Sir John P. Mahaffy, Provost of Trinity College, were among the new appointments. Dr. Starkie, then President of Queen's College, Galway, was another.

In 1907 Father Finlay was nominated a Trustee of the National Library, and two years later he succeeded Professor Dowden as Chairman of that body. He was for many years a prominent member of the Senate of the National University of Ireland, and of the Governing Body of University College, Dublin.

Father Finlay's many-sided activities brought him into touch with men and women of every class and creed.

In April, 1929, the County Cavan Agricultural Society, in the Town Hall, Cavan, presented Father Finlay with an illuminated address, in which they thanked him for having introduced the Co-operative movement into that county twenty-five years before.

A LOVABLE PRIEST

Father Finlay had a genius for friendship. Memories of his humour, his gracious manners, his courage, loyalty and quiet charm live in the minds of many. But those who knew him best will remember his deep faith and simple piety, which were the foundation on which all else rested. "Father Tom" was, first and last, a priest—a very lovable, wise and kindly priest. He had given more retreats to the Irish clergy than almost any priest in Ireland. He knew their life, and felt that he was working with them for the good of the people whom they served.

Four years ago his health failed for the first time, for God had given him an extraordinarily simple and solid constitution. The Irish Sisters of Charity, with whom he had so often worked in the past, gave him, not only shelter at Linden Convalescent Home, but also a loving care, which made a most fitting close to the long years of his kindly and unselfish work for others.

OBITUARY

MR. GEORGE NEVILLE JESSOP

News of the death yesterday of Mr. George Neville Jessop, at his residence at Maryborough, was received with regret in Dublin and many parts of Ireland. Mr. Jessop was about 55 years of age, and was in good health when he was last in Dublin. He was a member of the firm of Gaze and Jessop, Church street, Maryborough, auctioneers, hardware merchants, and motor engineers. He also was engaged in the corn and wool businesses. Up to about three years ago he had auctioned the Shorthorn bulls for Messrs. Gavin Low, at the Royal Dublin Society's Sales at Ballsbridge. His wife, who was a Miss Maude Thompson, from the North of Ireland, survives him. Mr. Jessop was related by marriage to the Craigie family, of Finglas and Dublin. A few years ago he and his family had a narrow escape on Lough Derg, when the craft in which they were sailing went on fire.

MR. JAMES H. TULLY

Mr. James H. Tully, whose death occurred on Sunday, at his residence, 92 Lindsay road, Glasnevin, Dublin, had retired from the Department of Local Government, where he was stationery clerk, in 1934. Mr. Tully was about 70 years of age. He was understood to be a near relation of Mr. G. F. Tully, the Irish actor, who has taken part in many successful West End productions.

PARIS UNOFFICIAL MONEY MARKET RAIDS

£16,000 IN GOLD AND CURRENCIES SEIZED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

A close watch by the Paris police on unofficial foreign exchange dealers who carry on a "black bourse" (unofficial market) in the little cafés round the Bourse has resulted in eleven arrests, mostly of foreigners, and the seizure of gold coins and foreign currencies to the value of over £16,000.

U.S. AND THE ARGENTINE

TRADE PACT BID FAILS

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

The State Department announced to-day that the United States and the Argentine had agreed to abandon negotiations for a trade agreement owing to the impossibility of agreeing on Customs quotas for typical Argentine exports, such as linseed and canned beef.

FRENCH PREMIER IN ACCIDENT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

A *communiqué* issued by the Prime Minister's Office announces that M. Daladier was yesterday afternoon the victim of an accident. Professor Henri Mondor, after an X-ray examination, diagnosed a fractured foot. The fracture has been satisfactorily reduced, adds the announcement.

REMOVING THE WOUNDED

AUTO-RAIL AND AIR AMBULANCES

QUICKER TRANSPORT SAVES MANY LIVES

FROM PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, Monday.

RECENT hard frosts on the Western Front, with roads like skating rinks, have made the work of the motor ambulance drivers arduous to a degree, and with road traffic necessarily slowed up the wounded have reason to bless the modern means of transport being brought into use in this war.

The "Auto-rail"—the fast Diesel-engined expresses of peace time—has been pressed into service, and is the most comfortable means of saving suffering, being surpassed in speed by only one other means—the air ambulance—in use for urgent individual cases. This auto-rail can take about twenty wounded men every trip, and can come up quite close to the front. Rapidly loaded it runs back at high speed to points 20 to 25 miles away, unloads, then returns for the next batch.

A MATTER OF MINUTES

The advantages are plain. First of all, urgent cases are quickly brought from the battalion aid posts—where the only task is to stop hemorrhage and generally give first aid—to the casualty clearing stations, where the process of sorting really begins. Often it is a matter not of hours, but of minutes, whether a man's life can be saved or not. Secondly, with these auto-rails there is eliminated the unavoidable delay incurred in waiting for a long Red Cross train to be filled up before drawing out. In the past, delays of many hours have been known, because it was wasteful to send off a train only half full.

Last of all, the auto-rail is little affected by bad weather conditions—frost, rain and snow. The trains can be kept running with a speed and regularity which no motor ambulance could hope to achieve in the same conditions.

REAL ADVANTAGES

The reality of these advantages was proved in the early part of the war, when there was more severe action than at present. It must surprise the Parisian suburbanite to know that the comfortable steel carriages of the electric trains, which brought him to his work every morning and took him home every evening, were converted within twenty-four hours into luxurious and comfortable Red Cross carriages.

The preparation for their rapid conversion is an illustration of the quiet foresight of the French military authorities. The removal of some bolts in the roofs of the cars leaves open sockets, into which the main stays of three comfortably-sprung stretchers are inserted. The heating and air-conditioning arrangements of peace time are even more appreciated by the injured men in time of war.

For the air services a special corps of nurses has been trained. When one contrasts conditions to-day with the rudimentary state of these services in the last war one is brought to realise how much care and foresight have been bestowed on the organisation and improvement of the Army medical services to-day.

In the hospitals the organisation shows the same advance, and is particularly impressive to anyone familiar with conditions that existed twenty-five years ago.

U.S. MINISTER TO AUSTRALIA

VITAL INTERESTS IN PACIFIC

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CANBERRA, Monday.

Announcing the appointment of Mr. R. G. Casey as Australian Minister to Washington—the Commonwealth's first full diplomatic appointment to a foreign country—Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister, stated to-day:—"Just as we feel that we are contributing effectively towards the future peace of the world by sending Australian sailors, soldiers and airmen to fight in Europe, so we believe that by increasing our diplomatic contacts around the Pacific we will be contributing powerfully towards that common understanding, without which permanent peace is impossible."

The Government had under immediate consideration the question of diplomatic representation in Tokyo, Mr. Menzies added.

President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, of Connecticut, at present United States Consul-General in Shanghai, to be first United States Minister to Australia.

£25,000 FOR FUND

CANADIAN RED CROSS DECISION

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TORONTO, Monday.

A sub-committee of the Canadian Red Cross Society to-day authorised a donation of 100,000 dollars (about £25,000) for the Lord Mayor of London's Joint Appeal Fund for the British Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance.

A further 50,000 dollars (about £12,500) has been set aside for relief work in Finland, following the report of National Commissioner Routley, at present in London. A shipment of clothing was also authorised for Finnish women and children refugees.

GERMAN SAILORS CAPTURED TWICE

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BUENOS AIRES, Monday.

The British Navy has stopped setting free the crews of captured German merchantmen at neutral ports, an informed source said, because one batch of seamen were captured twice, despite their previous pledge not to aid Germany until the war was over.

Instead of receiving freedom German sailors are being taken to concentration camps in British possessions—one is at the Falkland Islands—for the duration of the war.

The informed sources said that British warships received orders to discontinue the old policy of freeing merchant sailors at the nearest neutral port when several crew members of the freighter, Olinda, which was intercepted by H.M.S. Ajax on September 3, were found in the German freighter Berkut, when the latter vessel attempted to run the British blockade from Buenos Aires.

They had signed pledges not to sail in a German vessel again until the war ended.

"WORLD IN BAD SHAPE," SAYS ROOSEVELT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

President Roosevelt, speaking to-night at the annual Jackson Day "Hundred Dollar Plate" dinner of the Democratic Party, declared: "The people of the United States recognise two facts to-day. The first is that the world outside our hemisphere is in a really bad shape. It is a fact so big that few people have grasped its meaning—so big in its effect on the future of the world that all our little partisan squabbles are shameful in the light of it. The second fact is that we have made great gains at home in our own economic prosperity and in the security of our individual citizens."

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.

SMITHFIELD.—About 70 Irish bulls and cows offered; no fat bullocks. Bulls sold between 37/- and 42/- per live cwt.; cows fetched from £12 to £19 per head, according to class. Arrivals of store cattle also small, including 489 from Dublin, 359 from Derry and 149 from Belfast.

MANCHESTER PIG.—Spot supplies light, but ample for all requirements. The high retail prices ruling recently have had an adverse effect on business, and buyers are operating sparingly. Quotations for all descriptions again nominal.

BIRKENHEAD DEAD MEAT.—There was a sharp, firm trade for beef, sides making from 9½d. to 10d., exceptionally a shade more. Lambs met a fair selling trade at 10½d. to 11½d. per lb. for the carcases.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Supplies are maintained at a fair level, licences still being necessary. Arrivals proved just about sufficient for trade passing. Prices still nominal and show little change.

GRAIN.

BALTIC.—WHEAT—The tendency was easier for both Canadian and Australian descriptions in unison with week-end cables, but a fair demand was reported on Continental account, particularly for Manitoba grades. The following are f.o.b. quotations:—No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Halifax) first half January 35/10½; No. 2 do. 35/1½; No. 1 do. (Vancouver) 30/-, No. 2 do. 29/1½; No. 3 do. 28/7½; No. 1 Canadian Western, Garnet (Vancouver) January 27/-, No. 2 do. 26/7½; Australian, bulk, January also February 26/8, bags January also February 27/8; Rosafe January 28/- per 480lb. MAIZE rather easier for American, but Africa 3d. per quarter dearer. Plate January 23/3, No. 2 yellow American (Atlantic) first half January 30/6; No. 2 white flat African February 20/6, No. 3 do. 20/3, No. 6 yellow round do. 9/3 per 480lb. BARLEY barely steady. Plate 64-65 kilos January-February 19/-, No. 2 Canadian Western (St. John) January 25/9 per 400lb. OATS dull. Plate f.a.q. January-February 11/6, No. 1 Canadian feed (St. John) January 21/6, No. 2 Canadian Western, do. first half January 24/- per 320lb.

MARK LANE CORN.—There was a good attendance of buyers at the week's opening market, and a steady trade resulted at full to firmer prices. WHEAT—English milling fixed price 31/6, do. feed maximum price 31/6 per 504lb. at farm. Imported feeding £7 4/- per ton ex store. FLOUR—National straight, run fixed at 22/-, all English straights 22/-, Canadian 22/- to 24/-, as to grade; other descriptions 22/- per 280lb. (excluding quota payment of 3/6 per sack). MAIZE—Imported feeding £8 per ton ex store. MAIZE MEAL—Imported mixed white £9 2/6, yellow do. £9 7/6, home-milled feeding £9 12/6 per ton; hominy chop imported £9 2/6 per ton ex store. MAIZE—No allocations reported and fresh arrivals awaited. FLOUR fairly active at 22/- per sack for straightrun delivered and 22/- to 24/- for Manitoba. OATS quiet pending control at 15/- to 16/- per cwt. for English delivered. PEAS scarce at 28/- per cwt. for Tasmanian and 27/6 New Zealand. WHEATFEEDS in very limited offerings at 6 4d. per cwt. for bran and thirds. Wheat and maize futures controlled. The Government have raised prices of maize and imported feeding barley to £8 per ton, maize meal, home milled, £9 12 6, and No. 1 Canadian feed oats to £11 per ton. Advance attributed to increased freight and exchange rates. Wheat parcels for shipment 14d. to 3d. per quarter lower owing to easier American markets. No. 1 Manitoba 15th January 30/1d. No. 2 29/4½. No. 1 Garnet 27/1d. No. 2 26/9 per quarter, all f.o.b. via Vancouver.

PROVISIONS.

DUBLIN FISH.—Only two lots lobsters and a sprinkling from country senders arrived on market and cleared early at:—Lobsters 10/- to 12/6 per 13, cod 30/-, and haddocks 42/- to 55/- per box.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Small supplies found ready buyers at:—York cabbage, large 10/- to 15/-, small 5/- to 10/-; savoy, large 10/- to 13/-, small 5/- per load; swedes 1/- per cwt.; parsnips 3/6 to 4/- per bag, and turnips 4d. to 6d. per bunch.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Light offerings and prices firm at 4/6 to 5/- per cwt for best table classes.

LONDON.—The following are official maximum prices:—BUTTER—Imported to wholesaler 143/-, wholesaler to retailer 150/- per cwt., and retail price 1/7 per lb. CHEESE—Canadian white and coloured 74/-, to 78/-, New Zealand ditto 73/-. BACON, HAMS and CUTS—Wiltshire cut sides 125/-, three-quarter sides 137/-, Spencers 125/-, middles 140/-, backs 164/-, streaks 93/-, cratt bellies 100/-, gammons or hams, Canadian 131/-, smoked 142/-, cottage rolls 114/-, collars 114/-, picnics 68/-; Ulster rolls, boneless green 139/-, smoked 150/-; Ayrshire rolls, boneless and shinless 123/- to 184/- per cwt. LARD—Importer to wholesaler, 42/6 ex wharf or ex store; wholesaler to retailer, 46/8 per cwt. delivered, and retail price 6d. per lb.; Irish bladders 42/- to 54/-, packets 42/- to 50/- per cwt.

LONDON POULTRY AND GAME.—Trade steady. Surrey chicken white large 1/4 to 1/6, medium 1/2 to 1/6, country white large 1/2 to 1/4, medium 1/1 to 1/4, coloured large 1/- to 1/2, medium 11d. to 1/2, coarse 11d. to 1/-, Irish fatted 1/- to 1/2, lean 11d. to 1/1, Hungarian 1/- to 1/2½, English hens (old) 8d. to 10d., Irish 7½d. to 8d., country ducks 1/- to 1/2, Aylesbury 1/2 to 1/6, Irish 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish geese 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish turkeys 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish ducklings 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish pullets 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish cockerels 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish capons 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish hens 1/- to 1/2, Canadian 1/- to 1/2, Irish ducks

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IRISHMAN'S DIARY

The "Heffernans"—in the Abbey and Outside
Legislators at Work : The Segrave Family
Orange Trees in Dublin

The Heffernans?

I was glad to see a big audience the other night at the Abbey Theatre, where Brinsley Macnamara's amusing play, "Look at the Heffernan's," was playing for the second week. This play enjoys perennial popularity at the Abbey, and is one of the most enjoyable plays in the theatre's repertoire, although Brinsley himself does not regard it by any means as his best.

BRINSLEY MACNAMARA.

A very funny incident occurred to the author the other evening in the streets of Dublin. Beards have become such a rarity nowadays that the appearance of a young man wearing what certain writers term a "hirsute appendage" gives hilarious joy to small boys, although the once popular game of "beaver" seems to have gone out of fashion.

There are two distinguished men in Dublin at the moment who have luxuriant beards. One is Patrick O'Connor, a poet, son of the famous sculptor, Andrew O'Connor, and the other is Alan Reeve, the caricaturist, whose drawings enliven the pages of the *Irish Times* every Saturday.

Brinsley Macnamara happened to be talking to these two young men in the street, and, as he is a striking figure of a man himself, the trio created unusual interest among the passers-by.

After a few minutes Brinsley left his friends and was stalking along the street when he was accosted by a seedy looking individual, who sidled up to him and asked: "Beg your pardon, Mr. Mac; but would them be the Heffernans?"

Orange Trees in Dublin

The Dublin Botanical Gardens may not seem a very exciting or colourful place in January, but I was rewarded, on a recent visit, by seeing two perfectly formed oranges growing in one of the houses.

One was beautifully golden, and the other was ripening well. The label informed me that they were sweet oranges from tropical Asia.

Not far off was another fruit of the citrus variety, which looked like a lemon. In these days of enforced self-sufficiency, the Minister for Agriculture might investigate the possibility of enlarging our orange plantation.

I was interested to note that some of the hardy plants—not orange trees—already were blossoming out of doors, while the hot-houses remain a blaze of glory, and this while the gardeners were engaged in the task of breaking the ice on the lake for the comfort of the waterfowl.

One plant, which was new to me, had well-shaped vegetable water-jugs attached to the end of every leaf by a thin stalk. These were complete with lids, like a Munich beer mug.

No doubt about it, nature is wonderful!

Nell Ambrose

Eleanor Ambrose, the "dangerous Papist," who was mentioned in a review of "The True Chesterfield" on Saturday, would be found, strange as it may seem, in a complete genealogical table of the family that produced the late Sir Henry Segrave.

He was Segrave who first exceeded 200 miles per hour on land. He averaged 203 m.p.h. in two runs at Daytona Beach in March of 1927. It is difficult to realise that the record was made over twelve years ago. A few years later he was killed at Lake Windermere in an accident when putting up a new water speed record in the boat, Miss England II.

Segrave belonged to an Irish family. His father, Mr. Charles W. Segrave, was for many years a member of the Royal Irish Automobile Club. And away back in the days of George the Second Neil Segrave, of Finglas Wood House, married a sister of Nell Ambrose.

"King James's Castle"

Finglas Wood House, which was the Segrave family's home for some centuries, is—or, until these two or three years ago, was—represented by a ruin which is known as "King James's Castle." According to tradition, King James stopped there for a night after the Battle of the Boyne, the Segrave of that day being a devoted Jacobite. Finglas Wood House, however, is only one of the places where King James is supposed to have stayed on his race from the Boyne to Dublin.

The lands on which the house stood were granted by Archbishop Curwen to James Segrave and Patrick Sarsfield, Segrave buying the rights of the other in 1552. A Walter Segrave was Mayor of Dublin in 1593.

The Segraves came to Ireland in 1320, and they occupied lands at Finglas from 1404 till 1921, when the property was sold under the Land Acts. Now no member of the family remains in this country, and only a ruin marks a house that once was described as "a notorious resort of priests, Jesuits and friars."

At Leinster House

Leinster House was the scene of more work during the passage of the Emergency Powers and Offences Against the State Amendment Bills than has been the case for many months. A member of our staff supplied me with the following figures:—

The Dail sat from 3 p.m. on Wednesday of last week till 1.50 a.m. on Thursday.

The Dail sat from 3 till 11 p.m. on Thursday; the Senate from 3 p.m. till about 10.30 p.m.

The Senate sat from 11.30 a.m. on Friday till 5.30 p.m.

One or other of the Houses was in session for 25 hours out of the 50½ between 3 p.m. on Wednesday and 5.30 p.m. on Friday, and several people, including reporters who had other jobs to do in "their spare time," were on duty for the 25 hours.

Incidentally, it must be some years since the newspapers carried such long reports of the Dail as appeared on Thursday. This journal had nearly three pages of it.

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MOTOR NOTES

TAXATION TIME TALK

No Better Value than a Car : Battery Strain : Dublin Competition Placings

By HAROLD C. BROWN

BECAUSE this is the period when the majority of motorists are renewing the licences on their cars there is a great deal of discussion in progress about the war and the hard times and the relative values of having (a) a car, or (b) the money that goes for tax, insurance and petrol to spend on other things.

Most men realise that, as I have said before, there is no alternative to a car for transport in comfort and at convenience. Those who fail to realise it overlook the fact that the money saved is going to be spent on 'buses, trams, having "quick ones" while waiting for 'buses that don't arrive on schedule, and in other wasteful ways.

Someone commented upon my own moth-eaten appearance the other day, and I made the excuse that I would buy no more clothes till the war ended. That, by-the-by, is a Pickwickian excuse; for either conditions will get no worse, in which case I may be able to afford a new suit, or they will get worse, in which case I'll contrive by hook or crook to get a nice khaki or another Air Force blue suit for nothing.

But as I was leaving the company I asked: "Does anyone want a lift home?" and immediately there was a delighted howl of "He can't afford a suit, yet he can run a car." I find that a car is more important to me than a new suit. If I cut out motoring my saving would not be sufficient to buy more than two suits a year, and what do I want with two more suits when I have a wardrobe full of suits that the second-hand dealers refuse to take?

Is it Wise?

THE Royal Automobile Club has issued an item asking motorists why they should lay up their cars. The arguments, which I quote, apply with even greater force in Eire, where the tax is only 20s. per unit of horse-power as compared with 25s. in England, and where petrol is only half as severely rationed. The R.A.C. says:—

"The increased cost of motoring and the restrictions on the use of petrol will undoubtedly induce many people to contemplate laying up their cars. This is understandable, but is it really the wisest thing to do?

"Why abandon the most convenient means of transport if there is no need to do so? It is true that to lay up a car at once reduces expense, but in view of the fact that petrol is still available in moderate quantities, is not this too drastic a step, and, although there is the advantage gained by an apparent saving in money, may there not be losses in other directions?

"One of the greatest expenses attaching to the possession of a car is the annual depreciation loss not by wear and tear, but by age. This loss goes steadily on while the car is laid up, and there is no corresponding advantage to balance it. Further, any machinery out of use deteriorates, and this applies also to batteries, tyres and bodywork. The R.A.C. has already suggested precautions which can be adopted to meet this deterioration as far as possible, but there are no precautions which equal a little use of the vehicle for keeping it in good order.

"Again, there are many occasions when the possession of a car becomes a convenience almost beyond price. It is only when one is deprived of the use of it that it is appreciated how essential a car has become to one's daily life. To be without it means not only inconvenience, but also a serious interference with the domestic life of a household."

Petrol Economy

MOTORISTS who have studied the many petrol economy hints now being published and have noticed that frequent reference is made to the value of coasting are asking whether this does not put an undue strain on batteries and transmission.

The answer is that it certainly does make heavy demands on the batteries, but need not affect the transmission if the driver, after switching off to coast, starts the engine again by the starter before engaging the gear. This, of course, is where the battery strain comes in, but, since batteries are not rationed or restricted, the saving in petrol is well worth the extra wear in this quarter.

They must, however, be kept in perfect condition, and will probably require topping up more frequently than usual. The terminals should be kept well greased to prevent the formation of corrosion, which allows slight, but continuous, current leakage.

A further necessary precaution is to see that the dynamo is giving its maximum charge. Nowadays most cars have dynamo voltage control, and if this is in order the batteries will not come to any harm through the extra work imposed on them.

Championship

THE positions in the First Division of the Southern Centre's Inter-Club Reliability Championship are now as follows:—

First Division.

Dublin and District	2+ 2+ 4= 8
University	1+ 7+10=18
Leinster	5+ 7+ 9=21

Second Division.

Dublin & District No. 2	1+ 2+ 4= 7
University No. 2	7+ 8+ 9=24
Dublin & District No. 4	2+ 9+14=25
Leinster No. 2	5+13+17=35
Dublin & District No. 3	11+12+15=38

The following are the positions of the leading riders:—

First Division.

	Points.
1. A. H. L. Archer	26
2. C. H. W. Manders	24
2. S. G. Russell	24
4. S. Woods	23
5. R. Kenny	22
6. E. I. Gibson	20
7. P. D. Gill	19
7. R. B. S. Le Fanu	19
9. R. C. Yeates	17
10. A. E. G. Moore	15

Second Division.

	Points.
1. E. Lyons	20
2. J. Gibney	19
2. B. McAuley	19
4. R. W. O'Keefe	18
5. S. T. Healy	17
6. G. A. Mangan	16
7. S. D. Campbell	14
8. J. Colley	14
9. T. E. Jones	13
9. M. Barrington	13
11. E. Gill	12

"Go-as-you-please"

ON Saturday next the Dublin and District Motor Cycle Club is to run a "Go-as-you-please," starting at 2.15 p.m. at Terenure. There will be expert, general, novice and novice (with standard tyre) classes.

The entry fee of 2s. 6d. includes club membership for the day. Entries close tomorrow at 37 Exchequer street, Dublin.

Timing, dye and route cards will not be used.

Competitors with standard tyres will use a different course from the others.

Efficient silencers must be fitted to all machines.

Delayed Results

THE result of the Hewison Trophy competition for 1939 could be announced this week but for the delay of the Leinster Motor Club in furnishing the results of their last two trials—the Experts and one held earlier in December. It is most unfortunate that competitors should be unaware of the result of the competition so long after it has ended, but the Leinster Club now has no clubrooms and no address, and one does not know where to apply for information. Incidentally, the delay about the Experts may be due to the protests which have been entered.

In the meantime the position of the leading individual drivers, in the absence of the Leinster trial details, is as follows:—

	Points.
1. G. A. Mangan	31
2. R. V. Harvey	29
3. S. Booth	28
4. C. H. W. Manders	27
4. B. F. Mason	27
6. H. R. H. Sharpe	25
7. P. Cahill	22
8. V. L. M. O'Reilly	21
8. Miss Pringle	21
10. F. Gorman	20
11. J. A. S. Moran	18
12. D. M. McCracken	17
13. A. H. L. Archer	14
13. Miss Fox	14
15. R. Callow	12
16. J. Colley	12
17. R. J. Adams	11
18. G. D. P. Colley	11
19. W. Wilkinson	10
20. J. B. Hill	9
20. A. McVicker	9

Forty-eight drivers have taken part in the eight recorded trials of the year, the aggregate entries being close on 150. Mason, Manders, Gorman and Miss Pringle have taken part in all eight trials; Gorman and O'Reilly in all but one, and in the one which O'Reilly missed his wife took part.

McCracken has taken part in three trials and won two of them; Mangan also has won two trials. The other winners were Harvey, Adams, Callow and W. B. Michael. The team positions are:—

I.M.R.C. "B"	1+ 2+ 6= 9
I.M.R.C. "A"	4+ 4+ 7=15
Adler	4+ 8+11=23
Leinster	8+10+15=33
University	11+13+18=42

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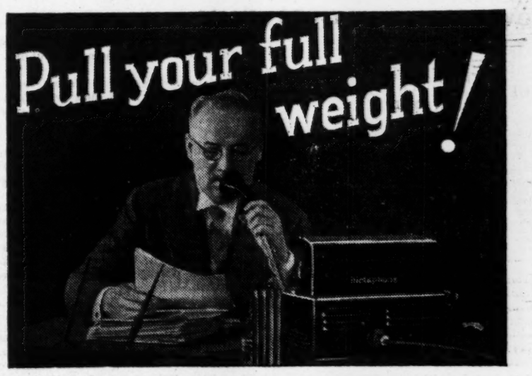

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THE GAIETY

"JIMMY AND THE LEPRECHAUN"

"Jimmy and the Leprechaun" entered on its third week yesterday at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin. Children and adults have laughed all through this pantomime during the past fortnight in crowded houses, and are more than likely to do so throughout the present week. Jimmy O'Dea nightly gets the audience on his side, as it were, and they join in the cries of "Jimmy Brannigan" "Seaneen" in the shop scene. When Jimmy O'Dea's now popular "Yes, Yes" song is sung there is a compelling, yet, indeed, most willing, participation of the audience in the show. Lalla Dodd will certainly attract new admirers as Principal Boy, for she has proved already one of the most talented and popular of actresses in that *rôle*. The comicalities of Jim Johnson, the Mahoney Brothers, the rare acrobatic skill of the Martinis, and the charm of the Two Maureens and the Gaiety Girls enrich the good entertainment. Children will not easily forget the gorgeous spectacle scenes. "In the Glen of Phooka," "On the Planet of Jupiter," and "The Dream of Pantomime."

OLYMPIA THEATRE

"CINDERELLA"

The pantomime "Cinderella" last night entered on another week at the Olympia Theatre with unabated success. Josephine O'Hagan continued in the name part, as full of vivacity as ever, and her pleasant soprano voice, her grace of movement, and her ability was an actress combined to make a captivating principal girl. Freda Gordon-Hall, as Prince Charming, was a lively principal boy, and carried on with a dash and charm that enhanced the *rôle*. Jerry Verno was tireless in his humour, and had good company with Noel Purcell and Jack McGarvey. Jack Kidd and Pat Tracy, playing the broker's men, still fell, and fell again, yet always got up to continue the fun. Among the best of the dances were those by the ballet in the "Coach" scene, and the special presentation of "Harlequinade."

FATHER MATHEW HALL

"CINDERELLA"

The Father Mathew Players' presentation of "Cinderella" continues to win praise for its clever mixture of comedy, music, and dancing. Eva Toner is excellent in the title rôle, and she is ably supported by Rita Conroy as Prince Charming, while Jack Cruise and Charles Farrell make a hilarious pair as the Ugly Sisters. Others in the cast are: Mick Nolan as the Dame, W. J. Murphy as "Baron Bughouse," and Paddy Tyrrell, who acts and sings well in the part of Buttons. As usual, prominent features of the show are the settings and lighting effects. J. J. Henry is the producer, and the music is provided by the Father Mathew Orchestra.

Why Anxiety Upsets The Stomach

By Dr. F. B. Scott, M.D., Paris

Everyone is affected in some way by the present difficult times, but few people realise that worry and anxiety are common causes of indigestion. The digestive secretions of the stomach are controlled by the nervous system, and when the nerves become strained and overworked—as they do in times of anxiety—they allow the stomach to secrete too much acid. It is this excess acid that ferments food and causes painful digestive disorders, and in order to overcome the trouble it is necessary to neutralise this excess acidity. For this purpose we doctors recommend 'Bisurated' Magnesia, a standard antacid, which gives immediate and *complete* relief by instantly counteracting excess acid and by soothing, healing and strengthening the stomach.

NOTE: 'Bisurated' Magnesia, referred to above by Dr. Scott, is available at all chemists at prices from 6d. to 2/6.

QUEEN'S THEATRE

"ROBINSON CRUSOE"

The Queen's pantomime, "Robinson Crusoe," has entered on its third week, and has continued its three performances per day, which is proof that the play is a very attractive one. Written by Frank O'Donovan, who also plays the leading comedy *rôle*, it is an entertainment which certainly merits the packed houses it has been playing to from the outset. The management can be justly proud of the marvellous team work of the cast, all of whom fit in splendidly in their various parts. Miss Coral Gunning, who takes the part of Crusoe, and Laurel Mather, who is Polly Perkins, his lady love, create a scene of rollicking fun, largely mixed with singing and dancing. Dick Forbes as Captain Flotsam, Jimmy Harvey as the Pirate, Kitty McMahon as Sally, the captain's daughter; Kemble Kean as Mrs. Crusoe, all brilliantly assist Frank O'Donovan to make the fun fast and furious. O'Donovan is Ireland's most natural comedian and his name is a household word for good, clean fun. Miss Coral Gunning, though born in Australia, is as Irish as they make them. Applause and laughter yesterday marked their every appearance in the twelve merry scenes. "Tony and Tina" add their parts to the general merriment, while Les Gerbolas (clinko comedy horse) and the Moonbeam ladies win merited applause. Dollie Flanagan, a little Fairy Queen; Johnny Caross, an acrobatic Man Friday, and Roberto Lena, as Old Man of the Sea, did excellent work. The pantomime is georgeously dressed, with beautiful staging and lighting effects.

THEATRE ROYAL

LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

Good entertainers appear to be growing more difficult to find, but Tex McLeod—whose style is rather like that of the late Will Rogers—is an artist; he spins his ropes and his patter with equal ease and brings his audience to the stage of being afraid to laugh too loudly lest they miss the next "crack" of his topical patter.

"Trumps" Doyle and his "Aces of Rhythm" present a number of tunes—old and new—in a bright style; the band is a good little combination and the vocalists are tops in their type of work. "Run, Rabbit, Run," was one of the best numbers.

Torino is a skilful exponent of juggling and several of his feats are quite new to Dublin. Len Young's "singing fool" act is entertaining, but a couple of his jokes are more than a little broad, and his performance would be just as funny without them. The Royal Violettes with a couple of novelty dancing numbers and A. Gordon Spicer's organ interlude complete the vaudeville side of the show.

The two films—"The Gracie Allen Murder Case" and Walt Disney's "Ferdinand the Bull"—are really funny. The whole programme is one of pleasant light entertainment.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Tuesday, January 9, 1940.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

At Examiners' Chambers, 63 Merrion square.

Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—Caldbeck, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Spain, at 11 o'clock—Bank of Ireland, settle schedule. At 3 o'clock—R. J. Minnitt, vouch guarantee deposit.

At 80 Merrion square.

Before Mr. O'Byrne, at 11 o'clock—Resumed holding. Annie Morice, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. P. Byrne, at 11 o'clock—McCormick, discharge rulings and settle schedule. At 3 o'clock—Verschoyle, vouch.

A vote of sympathy with Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D., on the death of his wife, was passed at last night's meeting of Dublin Corporation. The resolution of sympathy was proposed by Dr. J. Hannigan, T.D., and seconded by Mr. Sean Milroy.

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

RADIO EIREANN—DUBLIN, 233 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.); **ATHLONE, 531 Metres** (566 Kc.) (100 Kw.), and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.).

5.30—Scealta i bhfuirm Ceoil—Records and Story of them in Irish by Mairead Ni Ghrada.
6. 0—Michae. McMahon (Traditional Fiddle), and Seamus Og MacAonghusa (Pipes)—Selection of Irish Dance Music.
6.20—Cork Melody Makers, presented by Bill Twomey.
6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Talk, Official Announcements.
6.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—Scrap Book for Women.
7.30—Aodh Dubh O'Neill, le Seamus O'Neill.
7.45—Dance Forms Throughout the Ages. No. 1, "Older Form"—J. Havelock Nelson and Maureen Keegan (Two Pianos, with Explanatory Talks by Rourée de Vincent (Rameau-Moffat, arr. Ross). Gavotte Varié (Mungo-Park), Minuet (Purcell, arr. Nelson), Minuet-L'Arlesienne (Bizet, arr. Horvath). Sarabande in A Minor (Bach, arr. Nelson) Courant (Barrett, arr. Nelson), Gigue (fr. Organ Trio) (Bach, arr. Williams), Gigue (Hassler), Suite (Corelli, arr. Nelson).
8.15—Interviewing the Great—A Talk by Colleen Kirkehan.
8.30—Irish Radio Orchestra (Conductor, Capt. J. M. Doyle) and Vocal Duets by Mabel Thrift (soprano), and Robert McCullagh (Tenor). Orchestra: Eine Faust Overture (Wagner). Mabel Thrift and Robert McCullagh: O, that we two were maying (Smith), Let us wander (Purcell), Friendship (Marzials). Down the Vale (Moir). Orchestra: Cucasian Sketches (Ivanov). Mabel Thrift and Robert McCullagh: The Ballad Monger (E. Martin), A Brown Bird Singing (H. Wood), Arise, O Sun (Day). Orchestra: Memories of Mignon (arr. Urbach).
9.20—Nuacht an Lae.
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10. 0—To-night's News.
10.20—Colmcille Ceilidhe Band and Seamus MacShamhrain (Amhrain). Amhrain: An Reinnsin Iuachra (Baisdebeach). Fainnean Magaine (do.). Brighid Og Ni Mhaille (do.) Preab san ol (do.), Cait Ni Dhuibhir (do.)

NEWS IN ENGLISH

a.m.
12.15—Hamburg (332m.), Bremen (396m.).
12.30—Rome (19.61m., 25.4m., 30.52m., 31.16m.), B.B.C. Overseas (30.96m., 49.59m.).
1. 0—Paris-Mondial (30.99m.).
1.15—Germany DJD (19.74m., 25.49m., 30.22m.)
1.55—Wayne (25.36m.).
3. 0—Round Brook (31.02m.), Pittsburg (25.26m., Tuesday to Saturday).
3.30—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
4. 0—Wayne (31.09m.).
5. 0—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
5.15—Paris Mondial.
6.15—B.B.C. Overseas.
6.45—Rome (49.65m.).
7. 0—B.B.C Home (391.1m., 449.1m.).
8. 0—B.B.C. Home and Overseas.
8.15—Paris-Mondial (19.58m. and 25.24m.).
8.45—Melbourne (931.32m.—Sunday at 9.30 a.m.).
9. 0—B.B.C. Overseas.
9.45—Rome (19.61m.).
10.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
10.45—B.B.C Overseas.
11. 0—Moscow (25.17m.), Rome (16.84m., 25.4m.), Paris-Mondial (19.68m.).
11.30—B.B.C. Overseas.
11.45—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.).
p.m.
1. 0—B.B.C. Home, Pittsburg (13.93m.—Monday to Saturday., Wayne (13.91m.).
1.30—Germany DJD (for U.S.A.). Vatican City (25.55m.)—Tuesday.
2. 0—Pittsburg (Monday to Saturday). Wayne (13.91m.—Sunday).
2.30—Vatican City (25.55m.—Tuesday and Friday).
2.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
2.50—Hsinking (Manchukuo. 25.48m.).
3. 0—Boston (Indochina, 25.47m.).
3.55—Rome (19.61m., 25.4m.).
4. 0—B.B.C Overseas (19.76m., 41.49m., Wayne).
4.30—Paris Mondial.
5. 0—Schenectady (19.57m.). Pittsburg (19.72m.).
5.15—Hamburg, Bremen.
6. 0—B.B.C. Home and Overseas.
6.15—Rome.
6.30—Wayne (19.65m., Monday to Friday).
6.45—Radio Eireann (531m., 243m., and 253m. except Sunday).
7. 0—Vatican City (48.47m. Tuesday and Friday). Paris-Mondial (25.24m., 41.21m.).
8. 0—Moscow (31.25m., 31.51m.).
8. 5—Tokio (25.42m., 41.34m.).
8.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Germany DXB (31.23m.) and DJA (31.38m.).
8.30—Melbourne (25.25m.).
9. 0—B.B.C. Home, Belgrade (19.69m., 25.65m., 31.56m., Monday to Friday), Koddira (271.7m. Tuesday to Friday). Hsinking.
9.15—Rome (31.15m., 420.8m.), Hamburg, Bremen.
9.30—Moscow (25m., 31.25m., 39.89m., 1,744m.), Hamburg, Bremen, Germany DJA and DXB.
9.45—Radio-Paris (1,648m.), Radio Cité (280.9m.), Stockholm (260m.).
9.55—Schenectady (19.51m. and 31.48m., Monday to Friday).
10. 0—B.B.C. Overseas Radio Eireann (Sunday, 10.5) Melbourne (25.21m.). Chungking (25.21m.).
10.10—Budapest (459.5m.).
10.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Burgos (238m.). Schenectady (19.57m.).
10.30—St. John's, Newfoundland (31.36m.). Moscow.
10.50—Wayne (25.36m., Monday to Friday).
11. 0—Boston (49.67m., Monday to Friday).
11.15—Hamburg, Bremen, Germany (DJA and DXB).
11.45—Rome (31.02m., 420.8m., Sunday at 11.45).
11.30—B.B.C. Overseas. Wayne (25.36m.). Monday to Saturday.
11.45—Pittsburg (25.26m., Monday to Friday).
12. 0—B.B.C. Home. Moscow.

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

WAVELENGTHS—391 Metres (Scottish) and 449 Metres (Northern).

News at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m., and midnight.

7. 0—Time, News.
7.10—Tunes of the Day. Recent recordings.
7.30—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" A Thought for To-day.
7.35—"Up in the Morning Early." Morning physical exercises for women.
7.45—Folk Songs From Many Lands. Sung by John Morel (baritone).
8. 0—Time, News, and a short summary of programmes.
8.15—The Manchester City Police Band.
8.45—The Welsh Quintet.
9.10—John Madin at the Organ of the Granada, Clapham Junction, London.
9.30—The Kitchen in Wartime. "Ideas for Breakfast." Rena Bosanquet.
9.45—The Kenilworth Octet.
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
11. 0—For the Schools.
12. 0—"Running Wild." An irresponsible half-hour. Presented by Roy Speer.
12.30—The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra.
1. 0—Time, News.
1.10—A Violin Recital by Irene Richards.
1.30—"The Golden Mile." The story of the gold mines of Kalgoorlie, Western Australia. (Specially recorded by the Australian Broadcasting Commission).
2. 0—For the Schools.
2.45—A Speech by the Prime Minister (the Right Hon. Neville Chamberlain) on "The War, its Progress, and Prospects," at a meeting convened by the Lord Mayor of London. From the Mansion House.
3.30—The B.B.C. Military Band.
4. 0—Time, News.
4.15—Henry Hall and his Orchestra.
5. 0—Children's Hour.
5.30—Broadcast in Welsh on 261.1 m.
5.30—Thomas Weelkes. A Recital of his Madrigals and Ballets. The B.B.C. Singers (A). Conducted by Trevor Harvey.
6. 0—Time, News.
6.15—Broadcast in Welsh on 261.1 m.
6.15—"At Short Notice." A time reserved for talks that cannot be announced in advance.
6.30—"Ilma, It's That Man Again," Tommy Handley.
7. 0—Solomon (Pianoforte). Variations and Fugue on a Theme of Handel, Op. 24 (Brahms).
7.30—"He That Should Come." A Nativity play for broadcasting, by Dorothy L. Sayers.
8.30—"The Sleeping Beauty." An excerpt from Prince Littler's Pantomime. From Golders Green Hippodrome.
8. 0—Time and News.
9.15—"Food Rationing." A discussion between two housewives and an official of the Ministry of Food.
9.35—"On the Air." A dance-band presentation, with Carroll Gibbons and his Band, James Moody, and the Three in Harmony, and occasional interruptions by Jack Train.
10.15—"Those In Authority." A short Service of Prayer.
10.30—The B.B.C. Orchestra.
11.15—A reading from W. M. Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring," by Lionel Gamlin.
11.30—Al Collins and his Band, with Gloria Kaye, Pat O'Regan, from the Berkeley Hotel, London.
12. 0—Time, News.
12.15—Close down.

ON THE CONTINENT

ANKARA (1,648 M.)—7.15-8.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert.

BERGMUNSTER (539.6 M.)—7.5-7.45 p.m.—Radio Orchestra.

BRUSSELS I. (483.9 M.)—8.30-10.0 p.m.—Radio Orchestra, Violin.

BRUSSELS II. (321.9 M.)—8.0-10.30 p.m.—INR Symphony Orchestra, Songs.

BUCHAREST (364.5 M.)—7.0-8.10 p.m.—Modern French Composers—Radio Orchestra.

BUDAPEST (349.5 M.)—9.5-10.0 p.m.—Budapest Concert Orchestra.

FORMER NAMES OF DUBLIN

PAPER AT OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY MEETING

Dublin was founded by the Norsemen about the year 842, but five hundred years before that, a pool in the river was called Dubhlinn, it was stated by Mr. Patrick Meehan, hon. secretary, who read a paper on the "Early History of Dublin" at a meeting of the Old Dublin Society last night. The paper was written by Mr. Liam Price, D.J., who, because of illness, was unable to be present.

In his paper, Mr. Price stated that the stretch of the River Liffey which runs through County Dublin, used to be an important boundary, and as early as St. Columba's time—sixth century—there was a well-known ford across it, made of hurdles, wooden stakes with basket-work woven between them. The ford was called Ath Cliath. There were hurdle fords of that kind in several other places in Ireland.

Before the middle of the next century, he stated, a monastery had been founded near Dubhlinn, the pool, for an Abbot of Dubhlinn, who died in 650. The site of the monastery was now not known, and it was presumed that the building was destroyed by fire soon after the coming of the Norsemen. Another Abbot died in 798.

Both names of Dublin are of Irish origin. The Norsemen used the form Dubhlinn because to them the important thing was the pool where they could bring in their ships; the Irish records always called the town simply Ath Cliath. The form Baile Atha Cliath is a comparatively late one.

Mr. F. M. Flanagan presided.

NATIONAL MUSEUM

THE IRISH HISTORICAL COLLECTION

The Irish Historical Collection at the National Museum, which has been in process of rearrangement for some time, will be reopened to the public to-day. Exhibits illustrative of the old Irish Parliament, the Volunteers of 1782, the United Irishmen, Daniel O'Connell, the Young Irelanders, Fenians and Charles Stewart Parnell are included. Much of the collection is composed of newly-acquired material.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm 45. Chants 9. 25. Jubilate 29. Hymn 749. 4. Evensong. Psalms 47, 48. Chant 65. Magn. N. Dim. (Macpherson in D). Anthem, "The Lord hear me" (Blow).

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—10.45. Matins. Venite 140. Psalm 46 (144). Urbs Fortitudinis 156. Carol 3. 3. Evensong. Psalm 47 (150). Magnificat (John Goss (1800-1880) in E. Anthem. "From the rising of the sun" (F. A. G. Ouseley, 1825-1889).

HILVERSUM I. (1,875 M.)—5.10-6.40 p.m.—AVRO Orchestra (Records).

HILVERSUM II. (301.5 M.)—7.55-9.10 p.m.—Symphony No. 5, in B flat (Bruckner).

KALUNDBORG (1,250 M.)—8.30-9.0 p.m.—Operetta Songs.

MILAN (368.6 M.)—8.0-9.0 p.m.—Variety, with the Modena Orchestra.

NAPLES (320.2 M.)—9.30-11.0 p.m.—Light and Dance Music.

PARIS (PTT)—432.5 M.)—10.45-11.15 p.m.—Violin and Piano Recital.

POSTE-PARISIEN (312.8 M.)—10.15-10.35 p.m.—Piano Concerto in D (Haydn).

RADIO-PARIS (1,648 M.)—7.30-9.45 p.m.—National Orchestra.

REYKJAVIK (1,445 M.)—9.40-11.0 p.m.—Concert (Prokifiev, Stravinsky).

ROME (420.8 M.)—7.45-11.0 p.m.—"I Quattro Rusteghi"—Opera (Wolf-Ferrari).

SOTTENS (443.1 M.)—8.50-9.10 p.m.—Piano Recital.

ZAGREB (276.2 M.)—7.10-10.0 p.m.—An Opera from the National Theatre.

STOCKHOLM (426.1 M.)—7.55-9.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert.

MARIST BOYS' CLUB

The new premises of the Marist Boys' Club at 49 Percy place, Dublin, was formally opened on Sunday last by the Very Rev. J. G. McEneaney, S.M., President of the Catholic University School. The ceremony of blessing the house was performed by Rev. J. J. Hooke, C.C., Haddington road, who extended the welcome of the Bishop and clergy of St. Mary's, Haddington road, to the club on its moving into their parish.

The Chairman, Mr. G. P. S. Hogan, President of the Catholic University School Past Pupils' Union, gave an assurance that they would render every assistance possible to the club in its new and larger home.

The Very Rev. John Dowson, S.M., speaking as founder of the club in 1934, said that it was intended to cater for boys between the ages of 13 and 18, to give them a place where they could meet in a Catholic atmosphere, play games, receive instruction and advice, and generally prepare them for the struggles and difficulties that they would meet later in life. Now the committee had moved to large premises.

Among those present were:—Rev. C. Cussen, S.M.; Rev. C. Collins, S.M.; Rev. F. Randall, S.M.; Rev. P. Crean, C.C.; Rev. F. Kenny, C.C.; Rev. J. Patterson, C.C.; Professor G. O'Brien, Professor J. J. Hogan, Professor J. F. Larchet and Mrs. Larchet, Dr. J. T. Daniel and Miss Daniel, Mrs. G. Warwick, Mrs. Kavanagh, Mrs. Parsons and Miss Parsons, Mr. R. A. O'Brien and Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Crilly, Mr. J. V. Clarke, Mr. R. N. MacArthur and Mrs. MacArthur, Misses E. and R. Kenny, E. McGloughlin, B. Curtis, M. Kehily, S. Maher, C. Keogh, C. O'Reilly, E. Bergin, K. Kavanagh, Messrs. P. Casey, J. Bissett, W. Ferguson, M. O'Dwyer, E. Davy, E. Buckley, P. Fox, E. Kehily, J. Kent.

EDWARD SHACKLETON TO LECTURE AT R.D.S.

The lecture at the Royal Dublin Society on Friday afternoon next will be given by Mr. Edward Shackleton, B.A., F.R.G.S., son of Sir

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SPENCER TRACY, NANCY KELLY, in
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GEORGE FORMBY in
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CORINTHIAN.
Continuous ..... 2.30 to 11 p.m.
Ralph Byrd and George Barbier in "TIDAL WAVE." At 2.56, 5.15, 7.34, 9.53. Also Gene Autry in "MOUNTAIN RHYTHM." At 3.56, 6.15, 8.34.

GRAND CENTRAL.
SHOWING AT 2.41, 5.02, 7.23, 9.44.
Lupe Velez, Donald Woods, in
"THE GIRL FROM MEXICO."
Also "THE TERROR OF TINYTOWN."

THEATRE DE LUXE.
Dublin's Super-Cinema...5 to 11...Camden street.
ANN SHERIDAN, RICHARD CARLSON, in
"WINTER CARNIVAL." Also
"MOTHER GOOSE GOES HOLLYWOOD."

QUEEN'S At 2.30, 5.40 & 8.30 p.m. Dublin's "Most Talked About" Pantomime. "ROBINSON CRUSOE"
By Frank O'Donovan.
Also GENE AUTRY in "MEXICALLI ROSE."

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Film—2.15, 4.45, 7.15, 9.45.
Stage—3.30, 6, 8.30.

REGAL ROOMS At 2.18, 4.36, 6.54, 9.12.
CINEMA.
MERLE OBERON, DAVID NIVEN, LAURENCE OLIVIER,
in "WUTHERING HEIGHTS."

THE GREEN TO-DAY, AT 2.50, 5.0, 7.10, 9.20.
CLAUDETTE COLBERT, JAMES STEWART.
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Mats. till 5 p.m., 8d., 1/4. Evgs. 8d., 1/-, 1/4, 1/9.

PAVILION DUN LAOGHAIRE. (Con. 3.0 to 10.30 p.m.
BETTE DAVIS,
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SAVOY At 2.30, 4.50, 7.10, 9.30.
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IN
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CAPITOL.
TO-DAY: AT 3.3, 5.19, 7.29, 9.39.
ROBERT YOUNG and FLORENCE RICE, in
"MIRACLES FOR SALE."
FRIDAY NEXT:
MICKEY ROONEY and JUDY GARLAND, in
"BABES IN ARMS."
LUNCH AT THE CAPITOL RESTAURANT.

ASTOR.
IRENE DUNNE,
IN THE DELIGHTFUL MUSICAL ROMANCE.
"SWEET ADELINE."

CARLTON At 2, 4.30, 7, 9.30.
THE AMAZING SPY DRAMA!
NOEL "GANGSTER" MADISON.
"ANYTHING TO DECLARE?"
Also Richard Arlen and Noah Beery in
"MUTINY ON THE BLACK HAWK."
Showing at 3.20, 5.50, 8.30.

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DUBLIN.

PUBLIC NOTICES

GRAND CANAL COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at Grand Canal House, James's street Harbour, Dublin, on Thursday, 22nd February, 1940, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of the Accounts of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1939, and the Auditor's Report thereon, together with the Report of the Directors, to declare a Dividend, elect Directors and also to elect an Auditor. The Books for the Transfer of Shares will be Closed from the 25th January, 1940, to the 8th February, 1940, both days inclusive. (By Order). Thomas Delaney, Secretary. Grand Canal House, James's street Harbour, Dublin 9th January, 1940.

INTERCESSION FOR PEACE.
A MEETING,
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC,
FOR PRAYERS FOR PEACE,
IS INTENDED TO BE HELD IN THE
FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE,
6 EUSTACE STREET, DUBLIN,
TO-DAY (TUESDAY),
FROM 1 TILL 1.30 O'CLOCK.
Chairman: Rev. W. PROCTOR.

WORLD'S EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.
UNIVERSAL WEEK OF PRAYER.
UNITED MEETING THIS EVENING at 8 o'clock
In the SCHOOLHOUSE, GREYSTONES.
ADDRESS by Rev. R. BIRD, M.A., D.S.O.

The Irish Times

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1940.

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND

The Rev. Thomas A. Finlay, S.J., died yesterday at a nursing home in Dublin.—(Page 2.)

Belfast housewives got the ration supply of butter yesterday, but had little bread on which to use it, because bread-servers have gone on strike for more wages.—(Page 5.)

The injuries from which Detective John Roche, Cork, died on Thursday last were described at the inquest yesterday.—(Page 6.)

A bomb thrown into the headquarters of the Derry Special Constabulary last night exploded with a noise that could be heard throughout the city. No one was injured, although the entrance to the building was damaged and many windows were broken.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN

The British Premier to-day will call for intensified war effort and further sacrifices. Extension of rationing and "standard suits," with restrictions on buying, will be advocated, it is believed.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

It was reported yesterday that Italy and Hungary had formed a defensive military alliance to meet any possible aggression by Germany or Russia. The report is not confirmed.—(Page 5.)

The Finns claim another big victory.—(Page 5.)

An Anglo-Franco-Turkish commercial and financial agreement was signed in Paris yesterday.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL

Gilt-edged securities took the lead in even more striking fashion in the London Stock Markets yesterday, and the strength of high-class investment stocks gave a useful lead to most other sections, and more business was reported.—(Page 9.)

Dublin Stock Markets developed a slightly irregular appearance in a busier session yesterday. Changes either way were not extensive and the undertone was described as very firm.—(Page 9.)

Mr. Hore-Belisha

Rarely, if ever, in recent years have the quiet waters of British politics been stirred up so violently as they have been stirred up by the resignation from his exalted office of Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary of State for War. His dismissal—for it was nothing else—was wholly unexpected. He was by far the most colourful, and probably the most popular, of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Ministers; and when, on last Saturday morning, the members of the general public read in their newspapers that he had "resigned," and, at the same time, that he had refused to accept an alternative post in the Government, they were genuinely shocked. No explanation was given. There was the usual polite exchange of letters between the Prime Minister and the Minister, in which the latter was addressed as "My dear Leslie," and assured that there was no difference of policy between him and his political chief; but the public is accustomed to such euphemisms, and has been drawing its own conclusions ever since. At the same time it was announced that Lord MacMillan, Minister of Information, also had "resigned." In his case there also was polite correspondence; but the Prime Minister was at pains to point out that the main, if not, indeed, the only, reason for Lord MacMillan's removal from office was the fact that he had not a seat in the House of Commons from which to answer the many critics of his Department. Simultaneously the public was informed that Lord MacMillan had been replaced in office by Sir John Reith, formerly chief of the British Broadcasting Corporation, who does not happen to be a member of Parliament at all. In these circumstances it scarcely is surprising that a first-class political "sensation" has been caused in Great Britain. Lord MacMillan's disappearance from the Ministry of Information will cost nobody many sleepless nights; but the dismissal of Mr. Hore-Belisha is in a totally different category. He occupied a "key" position in Mr. Chamberlain's Government, and was recognised by friend and opponent alike as a man of really outstanding ability.

The Prime Minister will make a speech in London to-day, when he may give the public some explanation of Mr. Hore-Belisha's removal from office. Otherwise, the former Minister will have a chance to make a "personal explanation" this day week, when the House of Commons will reassemble after the Christmas recess. Naturally, all sorts of rumours are in circulation. Some of them are plausible enough; others have been spread by German propaganda, and it is essential from the point of view of everybody concerned that the full story shall be told with the least possible delay. Mr. Hore-Belisha was the most remarkable War Minister since the late Lord Haldane. He first gave tangible proof of his boundless energy and his imaginative qualities when, as Minister of Transport, he revolutionised Great Britain's traffic system. When he was promoted to the War Office it was not long before he began to institute sweeping reforms, which, while they may not have pleased some of the older generation of military "brass hats," were welcomed generally, not only by the general public, but also by the Army as a whole. It is not too much to say that Mr. Hore-Belisha was responsible in large degree for the admirable condition of efficiency in which the British Army found itself on the outbreak of war last September. One of his first reforms was to break with military tradition, and to staff the High Command with young men who had proved their qualities of leadership. He promoted Viscount Gort over the heads of some sixty generals to be Chief of Staff, and got rid of much of the dead wood that was choking the channels of military progress. He also was responsible for a large degree of "democratisation" in the British Army. He realised that, in modern conditions, the former gulf between the commissioned and the non-commissioned ranks was a source of national weakness, and that an efficient fighting machine was not the place for social distinctions. Mr. Hore-Belisha did not hesitate to put his theories into practice, thereby, very naturally, falling foul of the "spit and polish" school; and the general outcry in Great Britain which has been caused by his dismissal ought to be a warning to Mr. Chamberlain that in a democratic country popular Ministers cannot be removed without good and sufficient cause.

Mr. Hore-Belisha is a Jew; and, for that reason alone, there always has been a prejudice against him in certain ranks of British society. We find it impossible to believe, however, that a man such as Mr. Neville Chamberlain, particularly at such a critical stage in British history, would allow himself to be influenced against a colleague of unusual merit on racial or religious grounds. He is reported to have told Mr. Hore-Belisha that there was "prejudice" against him; and the public will demand to know what that prejudice was. What influences were brought to bear upon the Prime Minister? It seems that the first signs of a move to get rid of Mr. Hore-Belisha were noticed after Mr. Chamberlain's recent return from France, where he had been in consultation with the military chiefs at General Headquarters. Apparently, the Secretary of State for War had not been seeing eye to eye with his generals on certain matters of national importance, and that, after his own visit to France, caustically-worded letters had passed between him and the Commander-in-Chief. If the military chiefs have been able to persuade the Prime Minister to dismiss Mr. Hore-Belisha because they did not like his methods, or because he insisted on the ultimate supremacy of civilian authority, the House of Commons, and the Labour Party in particular, will demand the fullest investigation into all the facts. The old days of the professional army in Great Britain have gone for ever. Conscription is an accomplished fact, largely owing to Mr. Hore-Belisha's insistence on it, and Great Britain to-day is a democracy in arms. The British people have a long tradition of civilian control. They never will submit to a military dictatorship, however heavily veiled it may be, and even in time of war, when, in the nature of things the military must be granted a certain amount of latitude, they will not allow the soldiers to lay down the law to the Government. Mr. Chamberlain may have excellent reasons for his decision to dismiss Mr. Hore-Belisha, but he must take the people into his confidence at once. Otherwise public confidence in his Government will be shaken, and incalculable harm may be done.

Linen in Wartime

January, in every business, is a time of stock-taking, and considerable examination, to judge from the Belfast newspapers, is being made of prospects in the linen trade. Already it is apparent that the Northern linen industry will have a difficult year to face in 1940. The trouble comes not so much from the demand as from the supply: up to the present sales have been well up to the standard of recent years, and even have exceeded expectations, but the mills are faced with a problem of maintaining the essential imports of flax and tow. We use the word "imports" with purpose; for the famous Ulster linen of recent years is almost a stranger to Ulster flax. Farmers in the North, faced with intense competition from abroad, and a price for their labour which became less economic with every season, have turned their backs on flax as a profit-making crop, with the result that the linen industry to-day is dependent entirely on its supplies from other countries. Yet what is to happen now? There is little doubt that the great flax crops of Soviet Russia will be no longer available—that position has arrived even already—and Belgium appears to be the only place left with supplies to offer. Already the Northern Government, in its general scheme to increase tillage in the six counties, has made plans to extend the area under flax from the existing 20,000 acres to 50,000 acres, but excellent as those new crops may be, they will be no more than a drop in the bucket of the linen industry's requirements. There remains, too, the difficulty of getting seed. What seed exists, of course, is of the very first quality; for the Northern Government, highly enlightened in all matters of agriculture, has been financing permanent research farms and laboratories which, between them, in the last few years have managed to produce at least two new grades of flax which cannot be surpassed anywhere in the world. How much of those seeds is available for general sowing we do not profess to know. We do know, however, that an excellent market awaits all the flax that this country could grow, and the failure of European supplies, heretofore an almost impossible barrier against the home producer, has placed that market in our hands. Here in the twenty-six counties flax is grown only in a few limited areas—along the border and in parts of Cork and Wicklow. Surely it is a crop that is just as eminently suited to the South as to the North of Ireland? There is again the difficulty of procuring seed, but that difficulty is not insurmountable. Canada possesses large quantities of hardy seed flaxes which are adaptable to the Irish climate; we believe that sufficient supplies could be purchased there at an equitable price to meet the full requirements of this country; and we would urge that the matter of expanding the flax crop should be given a serious reconsideration. Above all else, the European war has demonstrated the absolute need for self-sufficiency. The Six Counties find themselves to-day in danger of shortage in an essential raw material, and with that lesson once learned they are unlikely to allow a similar position to recur. Would it not be a natural course for the other twenty-six counties to step forward with assistance in a time of need. The assistance would yield a considerable profit—and who can tell what the beginning of such friendly intercourse might produce in the end?

American

It is gratifying to observe that even American fiction writers of the "tough guy" school at last have come to realise the limitations of the English-speaking public as distinct from their own compatriots, and have included glossaries in the British editions of their masterpieces. Our trans-Atlantic relatives have left a long way behind them the "sabre cuts of Saxon speech," such as "bully, them's the peach!" which excited the admiration of Bret Harte and have galloped verbally ahead of Damon Runyon. Nevertheless, there appears to be little ground for the belief that the gap between the two varieties of the language is steadily widening—they are merging. On perusing some of the glossaries so obligingly prefixed to recent American "thrillers," we were startled to find that we were well acquainted with more than half of the new crop, and must assume that, thanks to film, radio and imported "pulp" magazines, they are conversation currency in these latitudes already. One seems to perceive the mental wrestling of non-English-speaking immigrants in the substitution of "brung" for brought and "snuck" for sneaked, and a recollection of European slums must have turned a garden into a "yard," but it was sheer genius that evolved "over and easy" as a time-saving method of letting the waiter know that you wanted your eggs turned over in the pan and fried lightly. It is better, to our mind, than "Adam and Eve on a raft; wreck them," as the equivalent of "scrambled egg on toast," because, in the latter case, the original English is shorter and clearer and the Adam and Eve phrase just an ostentatious display of the mastery of a foreign language. Also pertaining to the restaurant, or "hash joint" (preferable, at any rate, to the ghastly "Eats") is "Pie *à la mode*," which means pie with a top-dressing of ice-cream, and must be an acquired taste if "pie" has the same meaning in the States as it has in England; but, of course, there are pies and pies, and we cannot picture even "hard-boiled" gangsters with a *penchant* for an ice-cream lid on the "steak-and-kidney." It is interesting to know also that if a good American orders a steak "chicken-fried" he desires it fried in meal, and we are content to let him have it. These are curiosities of the new language, but the structural changes are really menacing—"he like to have done it" for "he almost did it," "would of" for "would have," and "get the hell" for "go to hell." With this flood of jargon pouring in from every side, it is going to be difficult, if not impossible, to keep the well of English undefiled while maintaining it as a flexible, living language, and an amused tolerance may be carried too far. Even journalese may prove to have its merits, and a tried and trusted *cliché* may be preferable to the weird *argot* of every-day American speech, but the slipshod must be discountenanced severely. Though much harm has been done already, it should be possible to effect repairs and to take defensive measures.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

WAR AND THE CONSUMER

The Times, in an editorial article to-day, remarks:—The introduction yesterday of a regular system of rationing for butter and bacon, to be followed very soon by a similar system for butcher's meat, should help the public to realise that the war will not be won without sacrifices on the part of the consumer. Of the necessity for rationing essential commodities there can be no two opinions. Our national resources—in man-power, in capital equipment, in shipping and foreign exchange—are being diverted to war purposes from the supply of goods for civil consumption. There is, or will be, less to go round, and the only way of ensuring a fair division is to prevent anyone from getting more than his share. The alternative is to allow the shortening of supply to drive up prices, which would mean that those with long purses would be able to buy all they needed, while those with smaller incomes were compelled to do without—a state of affairs which would be fatal to national unity.

The problem will have to be approached from many sides, and every line of approach will involve some sacrifice, even if only temporary, on the part of some class of the community. But the mass of our people, as they have shown on many occasions, are capable of any degree of self-sacrifice and self-discipline when they are convinced that it is necessary; when they are persuaded that others are also doing their share, and when they are given the right leadership by a Government pursuing a coherent and definite policy calculated to make effective the sacrifices asked of them.

Enough has been said, adds *The Times*, to show with what a complex problem we are confronted and how all sections of the community must co-operate in working out remedies. The main difficulty, however, does not lie in this complexity, or even in the amount of self-discipline required for a solution. It lies rather in the complacency which shuts its eyes to the need for any exceptional effort or exceptional sacrifice. That this complacency still survives after four months of war is shown in the unfortunate pamphlet, "Assurance of Victory," lately issued by the Ministry of Information, which, emphasising all the advantages enjoyed by the Allies and ignoring all the advantages enjoyed by the enemy, gives the impression that victory is certain, that time is on our side, and that all we need is to drift along our present course. No illusion could be more dangerous. Time is only on our side; our superiority in resources will only prove decisive if we employ the time to mobilise our resources as efficiently as the enemy has mobilised his. In this matter of organising for war Germany has the advantage of having started several years before us, and this handicap will not be overcome without great efforts, backed by hard thinking.

25 YEARS AGO

From the "Irish Times," January 9th, 1915.

THE FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

Continued progress of the French offensive was reported. All along the Western front attacks had been opened. German counter-attacks were repulsed and their artillery fire suppressed by the French guns. The French were concentrating on wrecking the German trenches and upsetting troop movements behind the lines by an almost continuous bombardment of shells.

CARDINAL MERCIER ARRESTED.

It was reported from Belgium that Cardinal Mercier had been arrested and interned by the Germans. The Pope, though said to have no official knowledge of the precise circumstances of the arrest, nor of the reasons which determined it, but having learnt that a restriction of liberty had been imposed on the Cardinal, telegraphed a protest to the Kaiser. It was believed at the Vatican that the Kaiser would countermand the military order against the Cardinal.

A SOFT SUBMARINE.

A dead whale was washed ashore on a northern part of the Dutch coast. It was found to be riddled with 3-inch shells and had obviously been mistaken for submarine.

THE ABBEY THEATRE

"VILLAGE WOOING"

St. John Ervine's four-act play, "Mixed Marriage" and Bernard Shaw's "Village Wooing" proved very attractive fare when revived at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, last night. Despite the grim tragedy and deep-set lines of demarcation in matters religious which pervade "Mixed Marriage," there is such a strong sense of humour and comedy in the work that it leaves an audience always in the best of moods. Any lingering depression there might be after the Ervine play is completely dispelled by the effervescence of Shaw's airy comedietta.

As John Rainey in "Mixed Marriage," Fred Johnson was at his best, and gave a splendid study of the Belfast Protestant who held by his principles. Maureen Delaney was equally effective as his wife, Mrs. Rainey, with her rather easy-going philosophy. Cyril Cusack as the son, Hugh, has been happier in the part, as his words were a little lacking in spontaneity last night, but he makes the character interesting. W. O'Gorman well fills the rôle of O'Hara, the agitator striving to unite Protestant and Catholic, and M. Kinsella plays the part of the younger son, Tom, capitally. It is a pity he has not more self-control, as the humour of the part at times is too much for him. Eileen Crowe give a fine reading of the character of Norah Murray, the girl who is the cause of all the trouble.

Ria Mooney, as the village shop girl, and F. J. McCormick, as the travelling writer and man of letters, got great amusement for themselves and the audience out of "Village Wooing."

M. J. Dolan was responsible for the production of both plays, which meant that they were up to the standard in every detail.

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CALL FOR BIGGER U.S. FLEET

"THREAT OF WORLD CONFLAGRATION"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Because the international situation, "in conjunction with Far Eastern conditions, presents the threat of a world conflagration," Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, appearing before the House of Representatives' Naval Committee to-day, urged Congress to approve a 1,300,000,000 dollar increase in the Fleet.

Admiral Stark testified that "If the United States does not take immediate action towards increasing the strength of the Fleet, the end of the present war will find us relatively in a weak position."

The hearings of the expansion programme opened with a brief statement by Mr. Edison, Secretary for Marine, who declared that he believed that the proposed twenty-five per cent. increase in the Fleet's size was needed "in view of the grave international situation."

Admiral Stark's testimony indicated that the expansion programme had been revised since it was first announced to provide some larger ships than originally contemplated.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.39	8.38
Sets	4.25	4.28
Lighting-up Time	4.56	4.58

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	11.14	11.52
Evening	11.36	—

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Drogheda	11. 2	11.24
Dundalk	10.59	11.21
Galway	4.52	5.18
Limerick	6.22	6.48
Sligo	5.36	5.57
Waterford	6.17	6.39

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Thermometers. -111 Lower Grafton street. —(Advt.)

COURT AND PERSONAL

The King and Queen and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose attended Divine Service at St. Mary's Church, Sandringham, on Sunday last.

The Earl and Countess of Hardwicke have left London for the country.

The Countess of Limerick attended the Funeral Service for the late Lady Robson, which was held in London last week.

Viscount and Viscountess Kelburn have arrived in Scotland.

Lady Holden, wife of Sir George Holden, has given birth to a son.

Sir Ulick Blake, who spent a few days in Dublin last week, has returned to England.

Lady Malcolm has returned to London from Scotland.

Lady Simon, who has been laid up recently, has had a relapse, and will remain in residence in the country.

Flight-Lieutenant and Mrs. Niall McElligott, who have arrived in Ireland on a short visit, are staying at the Adare Arms Hotel, County Limerick, where they are hunting with the Duhallow and County Limerick Hounds.

Mrs. Gerald Maguire has arrived in Dublin from Claremorris.

Mrs. James Corrigan is at present in Paris.

Viscomte de Fontarce has arranged to live at a small country hotel in County Kildare during the forthcoming flat race season in Ireland.

The engagement has been announced of John Patrick Roughneen, son of Mr. and Mrs John Patrick Roughneen, Kiltimagh, to Joan, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter McNally, Addison Lodge, Dublin.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Vincent Guerrini, M.Sc., A.Inst.P., to Miss Peg Gilsenan, of Oldcastle, Co. Meath.

Dr. H. J. Eustace has left town for a few weeks

Miss Jean Chamberlain has returned to 3A Lower Merrion street.

MUSGRAVE—HATCH.

The engagement is announced between John Laird Roberts, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Musgrave, of Hayfield House, Cork, and Eleanor Molyneux, only daughter of the late Mr. C. G. Hatch and of Mrs. Hatch, of Ard-na-Grian, Summercove, Kinsale, Co. Cork

Switzers are offering exceptional values in Ladies' Scarves during their present Sale:—Irish Hand-woven Wool Scarves are reduced from 6s. 11d. to 3s. 11d.; Viennese Printed Chiffon Squares reduced from 14s. 11d. to 6s. 11d.; Printed Crêpe de Chine Squares reduced from 17s. 11d. to 8s. 11d.

Walpoles' Bed Jacket values are unequalled. Fine Wool Jackets reduced to 5s. each. French Hand-made Woollen Jackets, to 7s. 6d. each. Invalid Coats, French fleecy warm material, in Sky, Pink, Red, Mauve and other shades, to 12s. 9d. Warm Quilted Silk and Satin Jackets, long sleeves, reduced to 15s. and 20s. each.—Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

At Vard's—During our January Sale all Furs are offered at pre-war prices. Our stock, including a large collection of Russian Furs, was purchased previous to the war. Wonderful values.—David Vard, Ltd., 8 Grafton st., Dublin, and 10 Patrick st., Cork.

Have your Cup of Coffee or Cup of Soup in the warmth and comfort of Mitchell's Lounges, 9, 10 and 11 Grafton street.

Margaret Watson's Sale to-day. Further reductions in Wool Dresses, Suits, Coats, etc. 17A Dawson street.

Picture Dress in Black Velvet for evening wear, £4 10s. 0d. at Slyne's Sale, 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE VIA LIVERPOOL.

Among the arrivals were:—Mr. Ridgeway, Mr. J. Shannon, Mr. Musker, Mr. Keys, Mr. Wynne, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Nugent, Mr. de Stinpoole, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Howie, Master Ian Sole, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Hammond, Miss Morgan, Miss Campion, Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Brennan, Mr. Cairns, and Mrs. Baily, Lieutenant J. A. Tierney, Dr. T. Tierney, Mr. Barnsley, Miss Slater, Mr. Bamford, Mr. Kenny, Mr. Ward.

Last few days of Stephens and Bourke's Sale of Oddments in Shoes.

Davis and Co.—Fur-trimmed Coats clearing at greatly reduced prices; also Woollen House Frocks, Dinner and Dance Frocks. See window, 46 Grafton street.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery, Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau St., Dublin.

DANCE

CHEMISTS AND STUDENTS

Upwards of 500 people were present last night in the Gresham Hotel, when the seventeenth annual dance was held by the Pharmaceutical Chemists and Students.

Numerous spot prizes were distributed, and raffles were an additional attraction.

Alex Caulfield and his band supplied the music, and dancing continued until a late hour.

Among those present:—Mr. P. A. Brady, M.P.S.I., and Mrs. Brady; Mr. S. McCauley and Mrs. McCauley, Mr. H. Harris, Mr. T. B. O'Sullivan, Miss P. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gleeson, Dr. P. J. Murray, Dr. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Batt, Mr. and Mrs. M. Leonard, Messrs. P. Keogh, C. A. Collis, Smullen, J. O'Reilly, McHale, Chesson, Hanna, Deacon, M. J. Hanna, Jones, G. S. Smyth, Citron, Foley, E. Dowling, W. Penderville, A. Cotter, M. Lalor, J. M. Chalby, M. Martin, M. Kilmurray, M. Brown, J. Foley, J. Curran, M. Daly, P. Keogh, F. Killoran, Mrs. S. O'Connell, Misses G. Donegan, T. and L. Boulger, — Hyland, M. Grey, M. C. Foxe, P. Morris, Dillon, M. Mathews, G. Knox, P. Goggin, M. Gaffney, M. Gilloce, M. Loughlan, M. Ryan, M. Farrell, M. Bolger, S. O'Sullivan, T. MacMahon, and the committee—Miss G. Knox, Miss M. Mathews, Messrs. T. Esmonde, V. A. Tully, J. M. Ryan, M. J. Hanna and P. G. Redmond.

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LONDON LETTER

MR. HORE-BELISHA AT THE WAR OFFICE

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
MONDAY NIGHT.

WHEN Mr. Hore-Belisha went to the War Office to-day to bid farewell to the permanent officials he was given a warm reception by a crowd of people, including a number of soldiers, in the street. In the meantime, the intense curiosity caused in political circles by his retirement has not abated, and it is not improbable that it will continue until Parliament meets next week. Members of the Opposition are endeavouring to secure an earlier meeting of Parliament, but it is very unlikely Mr. Chamberlain will give way on this point. Among Parliamentarians there is a desire that the full facts connected with the resignation shall be made known as soon as possible; but, if Mr. Chamberlain decides that it will not be wise to make a full disclosure, it is possible that there will be no further insistence from supporters of the Government. In such circumstances it is expected that Mr. Attlee will demand a full dress debate on the matter. The Government, in the circumstances, would have to give way. Even then, however, it need not make known the full circumstances of the case.

Alleged Differences of Opinion

It is stated to-day that the trouble at the War Office arose from differences of opinion between the Secretary for War and General Sir Edmund Ironside about the state of the defences in the British line in France. These differences were referred to Mr. Chamberlain, and he had to decide who should resign rather than that the conduct of the war should suffer. Whatever may be the outcome of the next few days, it is desirable that the controversy may be ended at the earliest possible moment. It is disturbing public opinion in a marked degree, but if Mr. Chamberlain can give an assurance that the reforms introduced at the War Office under the *régime* of Mr. Hore-Belisha will be retained, it will be all to the good. The Labour leaders announce that they will be unable to co-operate with the Government in industry if such an assurance is not quickly forthcoming.

Ex-Secretary's Future

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WHEN Mr. Hore-Belisha went to the War Office to-day to bid farewell to the permanent officials he was given a warm reception by a crowd of people, including a number of soldiers, in the street. In the meantime, the intense curiosity caused in political circles by his retirement has not abated, and it is not improbable that it will continue until Parliament meets next week. Members of the Opposition are endeavouring to secure an earlier meeting of Parliament, but it is very unlikely Mr. Chamberlain will give way on this point. Among Parliamentarians there is a desire that the full facts connected with the resignation shall be made known as soon as possible; but, if Mr. Chamberlain decides that it will not be wise to make a full disclosure, it is possible that there will be no further insistence from supporters of the Government. In such circumstances it is expected that Mr. Attlee will demand a full dress debate on the matter. The Government, in the circumstances, would have to give way. Even then, however, it need not make known the full circumstances of the case.

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At a recent meeting in London of some 1,200 small firms, a body known as Manufacturers and Producers of Great Britain was formed to bring before the Ministry of Supply their claims for a share in Government orders for war work. Many firms with fully-equipped factories and workshops are complaining since the beginning of the war that their machinery has been standing idle owing to inability to obtain Government contracts and to the smallness of the sub-contracts they have been able to secure. The new body is to take immediate steps to complete a census of productive capacity, as well as various details as to the number of workpeople employed, the export trade carried on in peace-time and at present. More than a thousand documents already have been received with the full information as to the capabilities of the smaller firms. It is expected that the Government will be able to place a number of contracts either with the firms themselves or with groups which will be formed within the new organisation, the committee of which is to meet this week.

The Aurora Borealis

In the course of the next day or so it may be worth while to watch for the appearance of the *Aurora Borealis*. Several small groups of sunspots and two large ones have appeared near the top right-hand edge of the sun, and may remain possibly for another four days. These groups may be followed by magnetic storms and auroral displays. One theory regarding the Northern Lights is that the sunspot groups send out streams of electrically-charged particles, which are fired into the upper layers of the atmosphere. Two years ago, on January 25th, a group of sunspots gave rise to the brightest auroral display that has been witnessed for a quarter of a century.

DERRY BOMB EXPLOSION

Second Within A Week

THROWN AT "SPECIALS'" HEADQUARTERS

Windows Smashed : Nobody Injured : Cordon Around Area

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
DERRY, Monday.

A HOME-MADE bomb was hurled to-night at the headquarters of seven hundred members of the Derry Special Constabulary, and the explosion, which could be heard all over the city, wrecked the entrance to the building and smashed the windows of houses and a factory in the vicinity. No one was injured.

The building is in Whitehall, and is only some yards away from the Central Fire Station, at which, last Monday, a bomb was thrown, apparently as a reprisal for the part which it was alleged the firemen had played in quelling the mutiny of 45 Republican internees in Londonderry Jail on Christmas Day.

To-night's explosion occurred during the black-out and with a thick fog hanging over the city. It smashed windows in Hawkins street, as well as in Kennedy place, which adjoins it. Street pavements were littered with glass. The bomb, which was thrown at about 6.50 p.m., went through a glass panel at the side of the entrance door, which is situated at the top of a flight of steps. It then, apparently, rebounded off the iron bars inside the glass and fell on the concrete landing outside the main entrance overlooking the street.

CORDON FORMED

Members of the Derry Special Constabulary having their evening meal in their homes in all parts of the city, on hearing the explosion, grabbed their rifles and rushed in their working clothes to Whitehall.

Along with a number of soldiers from the Royal Welch Fusiliers who were off duty at the time, the police formed a cordon around the area and forbade pedestrians to approach. Members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary also came to the scene, while other "Specials" and members of the police, armed with rifles and revolvers, made an intensive search of the area in the vicinity of the explosion.

There were about twelve "Specials" in the barracks at the time, and two of them were on guard in the guard room when the explosion occurred.

One of them, Samuel Hutchinson, Lower street, said that he had heard the breaking of glass, and rushed out to the main hall to investigate. He could see nothing, but he lifted up a fire bucket near at hand and threw it over the floor inside the door.

"I went back to the guardroom, and I had just closed the door when the explosion occurred."

THE EXPLOSION

Another, Samuel Ferris, of Lower road, said that he was out in the miniature range at the back of the building when he heard the breaking of the glass. He ran into the main hall and saw "Specials" come out of the billiard room carrying revolvers. They also apparently heard the crash. They crowded into the back of the hall, and then the explosion occurred.

"Special" J. Manning said that he was a hundred yards from Whitehall when he saw a flash which apparently was in Hawkins street. He ran to the telephone kiosk and summoned the police.

Mrs. Wallace, Hawkins street, who lives a few doors away from Whitehall, was lifted off her feet by the force of the explosion.

LITTLE DAMAGE

Having regard to the intensity of the explosion comparatively little damage was done. The lower panels of the door were blown in, and the glass around the door was smashed. The explosion also blew out five large front windows of the two-storey building which was formerly a women's penitentiary, and the windows of a large shirt and collar factory belonging to Messrs. Walsh and Margetson, Ltd., which overlooks Whitehall, were smashed. Scraps of tin, suggesting that the missile had been "home-made," were found in the *débris*.

No arrests had been made up to a late hour.

THREE-PARTY TRADE AGREEMENT

BRITAIN, FRANCE AND TURKEY

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Monday.

A commercial and financial agreement between Britain, France and Turkey was signed at the Quai D'Orsay to-day.

Its successful conclusion followed negotiations between British and French representatives, and the Secretary-General of the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, M. Menemencioglou. The British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Campbell, signed for Britain; the French Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, M. Champetier de Ribes, for France, and M. Menemencioglou for Turkey.

It is presumed in usually well-informed circles that the agreements constitute a further concrete implementing of the Franco-British-Turkish pact concluded early in the autumn.

The Allied spokesmen emphasised at that time that the understanding was not a temporary one, but a long-term arrangement, providing *inter alia*, for systematic Allied assistance for the development of Turkey's economic life.

It is confidently expected that the new trade agreements will provide an important extension of trade between the Allies and Turkey, and will bring striking proof of the diplomatic achievement constituted by the original pact.

Three of the quadruplets born on Thursday to Ismahan Shehata, the 25-year-old wife of an Egyptian baker, who has already had triplets, have died, and the fourth is dying.

FUEHRER CONFERS WITH CHIEFS

SWEDEN AND THE FINNISH WAR

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL TELEGRAM

AMSTERDAM, Monday.

Back in Berlin after his Christmas holidays, Herr Hitler has already begun conversations with his political and military chiefs, the Press Association learns.

Drawn by the sight of the Fuehrer's personal standard again waving above the Chancellery, a curious crowd gathered this morning to watch the high officers and officials going in and out.

It is wrong, however, to speak of fresh "War Councils," says the *Telegraaf* correspondent. Admirals, generals and politicians are constantly reporting to Hitler in the course of the ordinary day's work, and there is much current business to be despatched after the holidays.

The most urgent is Germany's attitude to Sweden, and the Finnish war and political circles expect concrete developments in this direction in a short time.

Herr Hitler is also being asked to take an official decision in the matter of the celebration of January 30th, when the Nazi Party celebrates the seventh anniversary of its coming into power.

Well-informed circles do not expect the Reichstag to be called, and the usual vast torchlight procession will be sacrificed to the needs of the black-out. Nor is it thought will Hitler make his usual speech. According to one suggestion, he may address the nation by radio from his study in the Chancellery, but it is unlikely that any ceremony will be staged.

Herr Hitler incidentally has not delivered a speech since the occasion at Munich when an attempt was made on his life.

KEEPING OUT THE NEWS

GERMAN FRONTIER CONTROL

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.
ROTTERDAM, Monday.

The German frontier control on the Dutch frontier has become much more stringent since the new year. One reason for this tightening of the control is apparently to prevent information of military importance crossing the frontier.

Another object is believed to be to prevent news of the outside world from reaching the German people.

On the German side of the frontier Holland is represented as being almost at starvation point owing to the British blockade. This illusion would speedily be dispelled if normal traffic between the populations on either side of the frontier were permitted.—(Copyright, per Press Association.)

ARMED ROBBERY IN BELFAST

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Monday.

An armed man took about £20 from the cash desk of a pantomime booking office adjoining the Royal Cinema, Belfast, shortly after 6 p.m. to-day. The woman in the office was alone at the time, and the man forcibly removed what cash was in the desk.

TANKER'S FIGHT WITH BOMBER

AMSTERDAM, Monday.

A British tanker has reached Amsterdam after being attacked by a Heinkel bomber in the North Sea. The 'plane dived and dropped three bombs, one of which fell so near the ship that the pipes cracked, the machinery was damaged, and the wireless paralysed. The tanker opened fire on the 'plane with a gun, and the crew believe that they scored a hit, but it is impossible to confirm this, as the bomber disappeared in the clouds.

EX-KAISER RECOVERING

DOORN, Monday.

The ex-Kaiser is recovering from his cold and an attack of rheumatism, it was stated by members of his household to-night.—(Associated Press.)

BELFAST BREAD FAMINE

Housewives Go Back to the Griddle

IRONY OF BUTTER RATIONING

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Monday.

BELFAST housewives, bothered by the butter and bacon rationing which came into operation to-day, found to their dismay that it was virtually impossible to get bakers' bread. They got 4 ozs. of butter, but many of them had no bread to put it on.

The stoppage of bread supplies was due to the strike of bread-servers or vanmen

In Belfast nearly every household gets its bread supply from a vanman, and not direct from shops. The bakeries get their orders from the bread-servers, and, as no orders were received yesterday, the bakeries were brought to a standstill except for providing contract supplies to the military forces, hospitals, workhouses, and other institutions. This provision was made by agreement with the trade unions, and only skeleton staffs of bakers were at work last night.

SALES RUSH

This morning there was a scramble for all available supplies of bread in the shops, many of which were sold out half-an-hour after they opened.

Unless a settlement is reached in the dispute with the bread-servers, Northern housewives will have to revert to home baking. This afternoon there was a big demand at ironmongery shops for the old-fashioned griddle, which grandmothers used for baking soda and wheaten bread.

BREAD MEN TO TAKE BALLOT

Mr. J. A. Gordon, Minister for Labour, succeeded last night in arranging a conference between the master bakers and the bread-servers, and after the conference, which lasted nine hours, the outlook was more hopeful. The men will take a ballot vote this morning on the terms of a provisional agreement which has been reached.

The master bakers will meet to-morrow to consider the results of the ballot.

The habit of making home-made bread has gone out of fashion, so to-day a Belfast paper prints a recipe for soda and wheaten bread and also for yeast bread.

WAGES DEMAND

The bread-servers had asked for a wage increase of 15s. a week. They were offered 4s., the same as that accepted by the men in the bakehouses, but this was refused. The bread-servers are paid fixed wages, and, in addition, they have allowances and commission. Each man's wage is regulated by the amount of business done, and few, if any, earn less than £5 a week, while many earn considerably more—some of them £8 and £9 a week.

The men contend, however, that their work is arduous. They have to be out in all weathers, and work very long hours, while they have considerable financial responsibility.

Many Northern provincial towns also are affected by the strike, and, should it continue, a serious position will arise, as there is not a great deal of home-baking flour available.

IN PROVINCIAL TOWNS

Newry, like other centres, found itself this morning faced with a bread shortage owing to the strike of bread-servers.

One or two minor firms are carrying on, but these are devoted largely to the production of fancy breads, cakes and pastry. At 10 o'clock this morning all bread was sold.

Newry bakeries supply a big country district throughout South Down and South Armagh, and the inconvenience felt is, therefore, widespread.

About thirty bakers and between thirty and forty bread-servers are affected.

Dungannon is severely hit by the strike. Large supplies usually sent from Belfast did not arrive to-day, and housewives rushed for supplies of flour and buttermilk, the latter being a scarce commodity at this season. A local bakery did a brisk trade, but was unable to cope with the rush.

RELIEF SUPPLIES

Although no Belfast-baked bread reached Omagh to-day and a considerable number of agents and workers on bread-carts are affected, the shortage is not felt so seriously in this district as elsewhere, as the local bakery is carrying on as usual, and supplies of bread from at least four Londonderry bakeries were delivered in the morning.

Housewives of Ballymena and district were without their usual supplies. Two local bakery firms turned out a limited supply, and breadcarts went out as usual.

Police were on duty to see there was no interference.

IN NEWRY

Newry was practically without bread yesterday owing to the bread servers' strike. Between 50 and 60 men are affected, and the public throughout South Down and South Armagh are put to much inconvenience. At 10 o'clock not a loaf was procurable in the town.

LIGHTNING STRIKE IN DERRY

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
DERRY, Monday.

About 100 bread-servers began a lightning strike in Derry to-night, and as a result the Derry area, parts of County Derry and County Tyrone will be without bread to-morrow morning. An abortive conference between the men and the master bakers was held, but the master bakers did ot increase their offer of 4s. per week wage increase. The men demand 15s. When the strike was announced the bakers were dismissed until further notice.

A small quantity of bread is being baked for public institutions.

There was a further batch of cases at Derry yesterday in respect of failure to comply with the black-out regulations. Fines ranging from 1s. to 2s. 6d. were imposed.

OFFENCES BILL REFERRED TO SUPREME COURT

SENATOR DR. FARNAN.

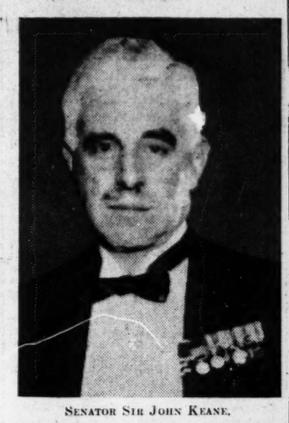
MR. COSGRAVE THE ONLY ABSENTEE

FOLLOWING the first meeting of the Council of State, at the President's official residence, Arus an Uachtaran, yesterday evening, Dr. Hyde decided to refer the bill amending the Offences Against the State Act, 1939, to the Supreme Court for its finding as to the constitutionality of the measure.

The meeting was held at 4 o'clock in one of the large rooms. All the members were present, with the single exception of Mr. William T. Cosgrave, leader of the Opposition. No information was available as to the reasons for his absence, but it is presumed that it had no reference to party, since two Fine Gael deputies, Mr. James Dillon and General Mulcahy, were among those in attendance. These drove up to the official residence together. Other pairs were Mr. de Valera and Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, Chief Justice Sullivan and Mr. Justice Conor Maguire. Senator Farnan was one of the earliest arrivals.

When the members of the Council had assembled opportunity was afforded to photographers to take pictures. Otherwise the proceedings were altogether private. It will be seen from the photograph in Page 7 that there were fifteen persons present. The President (Dr. Hyde) sat at the head of the table, having Mr. de Valera on his right hand, and on his left Mr. Michael McDunphy, his secretary. In addition to those already mentioned were Sir John Keane, Mr. Frank Fahy, Mr. Sean Gibbons, Mr. Patrick Lynch, Senator Tierney, and Mr. W. Norton.

Subsequently the following official statement was issued:—"The President, after consultation with the Council of State, has decided to refer the Offences Against the State (Amendment) Bill, 1940, to the Supreme Court, under Article 26 of the Constitution, for a decision on the question as to whether the bill is repugnant to the Constitution or to any provision thereof."



SENATOR SIR JOHN KEANE.

GERMAN ATTACKS ON TRAWLERS

BRITAIN TAKES COUNTER-MEASURES

Britain has taken measures to deal with German attacks on trawlers. The fact was announced yesterday by Mr. John Colville (Secretary of State for Scotland) when he visited Aberdeen to meet representatives of the local authorities and of the various branches of civil defence.

"We recently had a new outburst of brutality from Germany in the form of attacks on fishing craft," said Mr. Colville. "Measures to deal with that are well in the minds of the departments concerned, and it is not a type of attack that the Germans may count on carrying out in the future with impunity."

Mr Colville paid a high tribute to the personal courage of the fishermen who had refused to be chased from their avocation at sea. Aberdeen and the North-East, he said, had also rendered notable service in their share of the work done by the Fleet's auxiliary craft. He wanted the country to realise the debt it owed to men like those of that area who were helping to preserve the mastery of the seas.

CASE OF MR. HORE-BELISHA

Mr. Chamberlain May Speak To-day

NO CHANGE OF POLICY INVOLVED

REPORTS from London last night indicated that Mr. Chamberlain will not consent to the summoning of Parliament before Tuesday of next week—the date originally fixed.

It is understood, however, that he may make some reference to Mr. Hore-Belisha's resignation in the course of his speech at the Mansion House to-day.

Meanwhile, there is a growing demand that when Parliament does meet the nation shall be given the whole truth about the events which led to the dismissal of a key-Minister at a time when Britain is engaged in war.

The Government is not likely to resist the demand for a full debate, and hence the possibility of a secret session is remote.

Questions of military policy will assume considerable prominence in the debate.

At the special meeting of the National Council of Labour called for Wednesday in London to discuss the sending of representatives to Finland, it is expected that an opportunity will be given to deal with the Hore-Belisha affair. There are strong suggestions in the Labour movement that the military questions involved may touch upon the war in Finland just as much as on that on the Western front.

The democratisation of the Army and the gaining of more commissions from the ranks is not the question at issue between Mr. Hore-Belisha and the high military officers, and it can be reiterated that these and other reforms which Mr. Hore-Belisha introduced will remain.

Mr. Hore-Belisha may introduce his successor, Mr. Oliver Stanley, to the Army Council to-day if Mr. Stanley, who is recovering from influenza, goes to the War Office before Mr. Hore-Belisha has finished clearing up his papers.

POLICY UNCHANGED

FROM "THE TIMES" PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

Those in close touch with the Prime Minister were emphatic yesterday that there is no question of any change of policy at the War Office, or of any interruption of the various Army reforms that have been made during Mr. Hore-Belisha's tenure of office. It was recalled that in making these reforms, which have been in progress since 1937, Mr. Hore-Belisha always had the co-operation and support of Mr. Chamberlain. The more melodramatic stories about Mr. Hore-Belisha's departure from the War Office were described as being entirely without substance, and it was repeated that the Prime Minister must be the judge—more particularly in war-time—of the men best fitted to fill particular Cabinet posts at any given time.

AN AMERICAN VIEW

"LONG WAR EXPECTED"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Monday.

Commenting on the changes in the British Cabinet, the *Washington Post* says: "They are of world-wide importance because they have revealed a considered anticipation on the part of Britain of a long war, in which a leadership of tenacity and quiet resolution is preferred to one of enthusiasm and 'pep.' They indicate that the siege of Germany will be prosecuted with all the cold implacable determination characteristic of the British temperament when once thoroughly aroused."

ARMED LINER DEFEATS U-BOAT

RIO DE JANEIRO, Monday.

Passengers from the Royal Mail liner Highland Patriot (14,000 tons) to-day told how the vessel had been in a two-hour battle with a German U-boat which attacked her. Spitting shells from her only gun, mounted aft, the vessel fought hard until the German submarine was driven down.

Authoritative British sources said that the U-boat did not fire torpedoes, but used a gun which was smaller than the Highland Patriot's gun.—(Associated Press.)

A DEFENSIVE ALLIANCE?

Italy to Support Hungary

ROME DENIES NEW AGREEMENT

QUOTING a "highly authoritative source" in Budapest, the New York wireless yesterday stated that a defensive military alliance between Italy and Hungary was agreed upon by Count Ciano and Count Csaky, the Foreign Ministers of the two countries, during their week-end talks in Venice. Italy will undertake to go to the assistance of Hungary in the event of aggression against her by either Russia or Germany, the announcer said.

Reuter's Rome Correspondent states that nothing is known there concerning the conclusion of such a pact.

The Associated Press Correspondent at Budapest states:—Italy and Hungary have agreed to conclude a defensive military alliance to arrest possible German or Russian invasion or Hungary. They will reinforce it by bringing Yugoslavia, their land link, into a triple friendship pact, though not into the alliance itself. The pact presumably would permit Italian troops to move through Yugoslavia to Hungary's aid.

Bucharest reported that the Rumanian Foreign Minister, Mr. Gafencu, would shortly visit Italy's Count Ciano in connection with Roman efforts to effect a peaceful settlement of Hungaro-Rumanian difficulties—chiefly over Rumania's former Hungarian province of Transylvania.

ROME DENIALS

Responsible Rome sources, such as Editor Gayda, denied that any new formal agreements had been reached between the two countries. The Italian attitude was stated to be one of support for Hungary's territorial claims, tempered by advice to Budapest to soft-pedal them in view of the delicate international situation. Hungary would be expected to aid in defending the Balkans against any Soviet invasion. The alliance, which would assure Budapest of Italian support should Russia or Germany invade her territory, was stated to have been agreed upon during the week-end conversations in Venice. The decision of the Foreign Ministers to recommend the alliance to their Governments was reached, it was said, not only through fear of a possible Soviet move into South-East Europe, but also because of disturbing reports from Germany to the effect that the Germans, dissatisfied over Rumania's refusal to send greater quantities of food and raw materials to the Reich, were strongly considering marching through Hungary into Rumania. The Germans were also said, however, to feel that they must quickly find good defensive frontiers in the Balkans because of their fear that Britain, France and Turkey might try to create an eastern front.

Yugoslavia was stated to be unwilling to enter the alliance, but agreeable to the formation of a friendship pact with Hungary and Italy.

CIANO CONSULTS DUCE

ASSOCIATED PRESS.
ROME, Monday.

Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, arrived to consult the Duce to-day after his week-end talks with his Budapest colleague had led to reaffirmation of Rome's support for Hungary's territorial claims. No confirmation of the Budapest reports of a defensive military alliance between the two countries was obtainable, however. Observers recalled that as recently as December 16 Count Ciano, in his policy speech to the Italian Chamber, declared that Italy opposed the formation of Balkan *blocs*.

ITALIAN HINT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
ROME, Monday.

A hint to Rumania to consider the advisability of coming to terms in her territorial differences with Hungary is contained in an article by Signor Virginio Gayda to-day in the *Giornale d'Italia*. Commenting on the Venice conversations, he says: "It is evident that the proposal to Hungary to settle her problems by pacific means cannot create a pretext for the other Powers concerned to avoid a sincere examination and a reasonable solution of problems still awaiting settlement. It is well to remember that Europe is passing through a troubled period, and it would be a fatal mistake not to eliminate those problems which are still open to a peaceful solution by just means."

Tribuna writes: "With regard to the possibility of armed aggression by the Soviet against Hungary, Italy's attitude would depend on the anti-Communist attitude she has always followed with respect to Moscow. For Italy, Bolshevism does not constitute a reason for international difference so long as it remains an internal phenomenon in Russia. But it would be otherwise in the event of the Red *régime* attempting to carry out absurd plans of armed expansion. At all events, a *detente* between the Danubian countries and the Balkans, and their peaceful collaboration, would give proof of a strength capable of facing any threat."

REPORT CONFIRMED

BUDAPEST, Monday.

That an Italian-Hungarian defensive alliance has been agreed on was authoritatively reported here to-night, giving emphasis to the slogan: "Italy's frontier is on the Carpathians." First reports declared that the text of the alliance would be signed by Count Csaky and Count Ciano in Rome, but it was stated later that the agreement must remain confidential lest publication give offence to Germany and Russia. Public emphasis will be placed on a tri-Power friendship pact which is expected to be signed shortly between Italy, Hungary and Yugoslavia.—(Associated Press.)

TURKISH PROPOSALS

"TIMES" FOREIGN SPECIAL.
ISTANBUL, Monday.

The Turkish Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has been invited by the Bulgarian Government to spend a few days in Sofia on his return this week from London and Paris, is to make proposals for the reconciliation of Bulgaria with the Balkan *Entente*—Rumania, Jugoslavia, Turkey and Greece.

It is not yet clear whether these proposals are likely to be economic or political, but it is believed that they have already been communicated to the other members of the *Entente*. M. Menemenjoglu may stay as long as three days in Sofia, which in itself suggests that a fairly exhaustive exchange of views is to take place.—(Copyright, per P.A.)

GERMAN COMMENT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Monday.

The meeting between Count Ciano and Count Csaky is interpreted in Germany as an answer to British efforts to widen the area of the war, according to the official *Diplomatisch Politische Korrespondenz*. Commenting on the talks, it says: "Rome has at heart the prevention of rivalry and conditions which may become acute at an inappropriate time and create complications, the extent of which none can predict. Only the Western Powers have an interest in investigating whether this area—South-East Europe—is suitable for a battlefield. Germany, however, is in agreement with her Hungarian and Italian friends that South-East Europe should maintain its peaceful work and natural trade."

"CORDIAL RELATIONS"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
BUDAPEST, Monday.

The official Hungarian Telegraphic Agency, in a statement to-day, says:—"Both Hungary and Italy continue to have excellent relations with Germany, and the recognition of the cordiality of these relations, which has just been expressed anew, disposes of all conjectures and insinuations to the contrary. Regarding relations with the U.S.S.R., Hungary maintains normal diplomatic relations with the Soviets, and Italy, on her side, has recently declared that she has no aggressive intention towards Soviet Russia."

The statement concludes:—"Following the Venice talks, it is demonstrated that Italy and Hungary regard the future with confidence, carefully holding aloof from any policy of adventure, and conscious of their armed power and their firm friendships, which assure them against all eventualities."

BIGGER WAR EFFORT

New Sacrifices Needed

"STANDARD SUITS" AND LESS FOOD

FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION LOBBY CORRESPONDENT.

INTENSIFIED war effort by the country will be called for by the British Premier, in his London Mansion House speech to-day, which will inaugurate the national campaign of meetings to be addressed by members of the Cabinet.

Some indication may be given by Mr. Chamberlain of new sacrifices which the Government will ask British people to make in the near future, in order to ensure that the war machine can accelerate to full momentum.

Developments are likely to include several important moves:—

1—Extension of rationing and other restrictions on buying is certain, with the dual object of freeing shipping for war enterprises and preventing inflation occurring through rising prices.

2—In due course even "standard suits" are a possibility, as this would enable great savings to be effected in raw materials.

3—There will be expansion of shipbuilding, and the requisitioning powers of the Ministry of Shipping will be widely used, and

4—Absorption into war work of a great many of the unemployed is planned.

WORKERS FOR FRANCE

Although unemployment is tending slowly to fall, there are still more than 1,300,000 out of work in the various categories. This has given rise to an interesting unofficial proposal from France, where it seems an anomaly that Britain should have an over-abundance of labour while they are short of it. Their suggestion, therefore, was that Britain should send over, if need be, hundreds of thousands of workers to assist them. There would be ample scope for them, as the French pits are short of miners and there are plenty of other outlets. But apart from Britain increasing home demands, there are too many obstacles to the French suggestion—wages are different, hours are different, and conditions are different.

Far behind the lines in France there is an immense amount of work to be done in strengthening the positions, and some consider that contingents of young British soldiers who are not yet fully trained might take part in this digging and building and setting up all important communications. Their services would to some extent relieve the strain on French labour resources, otherwise British war plans at home are large enough to take all surplus workers in due course—including substantial forces of women.

LABOUR ATTITUDE

Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister of Labour, is in consultation with the Labour representatives on the problem of local arrangements over the dilution difficulty.

There has been some diminution in the activities of German submarines and mine-laying aircraft, and recent fog may account for these, but the paramount importance to Britain of shipping remains. Unexpected developments are always possible in a conflict of this magnitude, and these may at any time call for a diversion of ships to other areas and for more and more vessels. All this is linked up with the necessity of curbing the consumption of imports, especially those things the people can well do without. The fewer of these the British people consumes the more ships will be available for other things. In this respect the French have set some useful lessons in self-denial.

DIRECTOR OF BRITISH CENSORSHIP

VICE-ADMIRAL USBORNE RESIGNS

Vice-Admiral Usborne has resigned the post of Director of British Censorship, which he had held since the beginning of the war.

The British Home Office yesterday issued the following announcement:—

"Vice-Admiral Usborne has resigned in order to undertake new work of national importance, for which his experience and service particularly qualify him, in connection with specialised naval construction, under contracts for the Admiralty.

"The Home Secretary has expressed his appreciation of the valuable services which Admiral Usborne has rendered in the initial organisation of the Censorship Division and in the conduct of the division since his appointment."

"The Director-General of the Press and Censorship Bureau has known for some time past that Admiral Usborne contemplated resigning his post in order to be free to undertake the work referred to above; but Admiral Usborne has deferred taking the step until the moment when, in the opinion of the Director-General, the change could be effected most conveniently and with the least interference with the work of the Censorship Division."

It is understood that the change in the control of the Ministry does not in any way affect the position of Sir Walter Monckton, K.C., Director-General of the Press and Censorship Bureau.

Vice-Admiral Usborne is to be joint managing director of a firm of ship-constructors. An Irishman, born at Cove in 1880, he is the second son of the late Captain George Usborne, R.N. His career in the British Navy has been a brilliant one, alike as gunnery expert and as inventor. His contributions to the Navy include the paravane, for protecting ships against mines; a quick-firing anti-aircraft pom-pom gun, and an indicator designed to help the naval gunner. In 1933 he retired from active service.

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AMMUNITION FROM THE FORT

OFFICER TELLS OF RAID

157 BOXES FOUND IN AN OUTHOUSE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

DROGHEDA, Monday.

AT Swords, Co. Dublin, District Court yesterday, Francis McKiernan, Killossery, Kilsallaghan, charged with possession of a quantity of ammunition, the property of the Minister for Defence, was remanded in custody to Howth Court on Monday next.

Mr. G. D. Murnaghan (instructed by Mr. D. O'Donovan, Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted. The accused man was not professionally represented.

Mr. Murnaghan said that the case arose out of the finding of 157 boxes of .303 ammunition, the magazine of a service rifle and six rounds of revolver ammunition in the possession of the accused man and of his mother. The accused man had taken responsibility. It had been identified as a part of the ammunition taken from the Magazine Fort, Phœnix Park, on December 23 last.

A Civic Guard sergeant said that he had accompanied a party of military to the residence of McKiernan on January 1 last, at about 8.45 p.m., and searched the premises. They took the lock from a potato house and discovered a number of green boxes, covered with straw, which were taken to Collins Barrack by the military. Neither McKiernan nor his mother was on the premises at the time. The house was locked. On January 2nd he spoke to Mrs. McKiernan at the house of a neighbour, and later he met McKiernan on the road. McKiernan said that he was coming from a dance at St. Margaret's, and made no reply when asked if he knew ammunition had been found at his house. To other questions McKiernan replied that he would have to see his solicitor, and he said that he would take responsibility for the ammunition. Witness then detained him and brought him to Swords Barracks, where he arrested him and charged him in the afternoon.

OFFICER IMPRISONED

An Army captain, giving evidence, stated that he was in charge of the Magazine Fort on December 23 and was away for a short period on that night. When he returned he was held up by armed men and brought to the picket room, where he found the members of the guard, the fire picket, a civilian and a military policeman under a guard of armed men. He heard a number of lorries passing out of the fort, and later he and the others in the picket room were taken to Magazine "C." While in there he was aware that a quantity of the ammunition stored there had been removed. The categories of the ammunition taken were: .450 auto machine gun and .303 machine-gun ammunition. On a check later it was found that about 27½ tons had been taken, all machine gun ammunition of different calibres. He had been given the keys of the magazine about 1.5 p.m. that day, and they could not have left his possession without his knowing it. If ammunition were to be removed from the magazine witness would have to get an order from the commandant in charge of the Ordnance Depôt, and he had received no order in respect of the 27½ tons in question and did not authorise anyone to remove it.

MAN IN UNIFORM

In answer to Mr. Reddin, the witness said that he was held up at the outer gate of the magazine. The sentry was inside the inner gate when he had left, and, when he returned he (witness) was held up by someone in uniform and carrying a rifle and bayonet. The men must have forced the outside door of the magazine and the key was in the inside one. Witness imagined that there were about forty or fifty men taking part in the raid. He did not see them

The accused man declined to question any of the witnesses.

Mrs. Mary McKiernan, mother of the accused man, said that after the ammunition had been taken away from her premises she found the six bullets in the straw in the potato house and gave them to the Civic Guards the same day.

SIX CORK MEN FOR TRIAL

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BANDON, Monday.

An armed military guard was placed on Bandon Courthouse to-day when six men who had been remanded on Friday appeared before District Justice Crotty. The accused men were John Connolly, The Paddocks, Drinagh; Michael O'Leary, Pearse street, Clonakilty; Jeremiah McCarthy, Mardyke street, Skibbereen; Jeremiah Crowley, Belrose, Upton; Edward Barrett, Coolatudor, Ballinhassig; Patrick Lynch, Old Youghal road, Cork. They were all charged with failing to give an account of their movements on specified dates.

The District Justice said that he wished to make an explanation with regard to the bail which he had offered the accused men on Friday and which they had refused. He had, he said, reduced the amounts from £200 personal bail and two sureties of £100 each to £5 personal bail and sureties of £2 10s., because the men were charged with summary offences, and he should take into account their position in life and fix bails which they would readily obtain if they so desired.

It was stated for the prosecution that the men were charged under the Offences Against the State Act, 1939, and the Attorney-General was asking to have them returned for trial in custody to the Central Criminal Court, Dublin.

The Justice made the order applied for.

MORE BRITISH TROOPS FOR FRANCE

Mr. Leslie Burgin, British Minister of Supply, broadcasting in French last night, said that the present British Expeditionary Force is only an advance guard. "The number of British soldiers in France increases daily," he said. "You will see column after column. Germans will, perhaps, see more than they will like. Let our enemies not only count our numbers; let them reflect upon the quality of the guns and the mechanised vehicles; let them realise the determination of the men."

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A.R.P. MEASURES CRITICISED

"DEATH TRAPS" AND "FUNK HOLES"

PROPOSAL FOR CENTRAL LIGHTING

ARISING out of a report by the City Manager (which has been published in the *Irish Times*), the whole question of A.R.P. in the city was discussed at last night's meeting of Dublin Corporation.

Mr. P. Belton, T.D., asked who had suggested the "excavations" at the Customs House (where air raid shelters are being built). If bombers came over Dublin they would surely follow the line of the Liffey, and go for the docks. In an air raid were the people of Gardiner street to rush down to the death trap at the Customs House? Mr. Belton added that perhaps he should not have used the phrase "death trap," as he was not competent to deal with the technical side of the question.

Captain de Lacy protested against the construction of trenches in public parks. Shelters which would be of some use afterwards should have been erected. Why did they not build underground tunnels which could be used as car parks after the war?

Senator D. D. Healy suggested that passages under O'Connell Bridge or College Green should have been built. These could afterwards have been used as underground crossings.

Mr. J. Larkin agreed, and said that in England the shallow trenches which had been hurriedly built were now used as public refuse pits. Children were playing in them, and drainage was going into them. They had spent £24,000 and had another £16,000 earmarked for A.R.P. For what?

After complaining that men from outside were being brought in to do A.R.P. trench-building in Dublin, Mr. Larkin said that an underground chamber should have been built in St. Stephen's Green. It could have been used after the war as a car garage, and would have been remunerative.

"RUSHED ON THEM"

Mrs. Maud Walsh said that, although A.R.P. had been "rushed on them" by the Government, they were now about as far on as they had been at the beginning. They should demand a definite policy from the Department of Defence, and the Department should be prepared to share in this big financial task.

Mr. Martin O'Sullivan, referring to the suggestion that Dublin City lighting should be centralised at a cost of £30,000, said that Belfast visitors had said that O'Connell street lighting reminded them of the Blackpool illuminations. That might describe the O'Connell street area, but everybody knew that the main thoroughfares and by-roads in the suburbs were as almost completely blacked-out as Belfast and London. What was the policy of the Dublin Corporation in connection with street-lighting in Dublin?

Dr. J. Hannigan, T.D., asked how many gas masks were there in Dublin. When were the masks to be distributed—if at all? The gas masks were, he understood, perishable. Would they be in a fit state for use when a time came for distribution?

The City Manager (Mr. P. J. Hernon) said that he was not in a position to say how many masks there were. The masks were in the custody of the military authorities.

CENTRAL LIGHTING

A letter was read from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence asking that equipment for the centralisation of the lighting in Dublin be obtained, and stating that the question of the distribution of the cost could be discussed afterwards.

Mr. Sean Milroy reminded members that A.R.P. had been put in hand when there was a definite fear that it was needed.

Mr. Belton asked if the Corporation had raised any money or had undertaken to raise any money for meeting the bill of A.R.P. It was better to spend money as a precaution and be on the safe side. A.R.P. was a national insurance.

Questioned, the Law Agent said that anything the Corporation had done in relation to A.R.P. was done under the statutory obligations of the Air-Raid Precautions Act, 1939.

Trenchant criticism of A.R.P. was made by Mr. Larkin. "We are spending money on A.R.P.—it's laughable," he said. "It's better than 'Jimmy and the Leprachaun!' So far as I am concerned, I would not be guilty of the responsibility of spending one penny under the present scheme. Are any of these safety dens or holes completed? Is there one you could go into for safety? Don't you know that there are a lot of boys playing at mud pies and getting good money for it?"

Mr. Larkin said that he could have the trenches built in Merrion square in a week—not in months. What had become of the £24,000 that had been spent? Many people still believed that Dublin would be bombed—but where were the "funk holes" for people to run to? The only shelter that had been finished was the one near the City Hall, where the representatives of the Ministry could go. The Ministry were looking after themselves all right. (Laughter.)

Alderman T. Kelly, T.D.—You should have a gas mask.

The City Manager's report was adopted.

FORMER GUARDIANS DECREED

AUDITOR'S ACTION IN BELFAST

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

Five former members of Belfast Board of Guardians were summoned in the Belfast Police Court to-day by James B. Butler, Local Government Board auditor, to recover the amounts alleged to be due for surcharges imposed by him in connection with workhouse tenders.

The defendants were: John Craig, Howard street, Belfast; Frank B. Loan, 84 Shankill road, Belfast; Patrick Bogues, Lismoyle, Holywood; Samuel Boyd, Knocknagoney, County Down; and James K. Mawhinney, 4 Park avenue, Belfast.

All five defendants were summoned in respect of £30 13s. 11½d.—for failing to accept a tender for twilled linen sheeting at 1s. 9¾d. per yard, and, as a consequence, it became necessary to purchase such material at 2s. 1¾d. per yard, whereby a loss of £30 13s. 11½d. had been incurred.

John Craig and F. B. Loan were summoned in respect of a surcharge of £113 6s. 8d. in respect of the purchase of 200 pairs of blankets at 11s. 4d. per pair, which the auditor said was unnecessary; also for £68 5s. in respect of the over-purchase of 546 yards of corduroy.

Frank B. Loan was summoned in respect of £11 5s. 4d., amount surcharged in respect of children's cots, being the difference between amount of the tender accepted and the amount subsequently paid for the cots.

All members present at the meetings of the Guardians at which the transactions took place were surcharged, and all appealed successfully against the surcharge within the provided six weeks, except the five defendants.

Mr. J. H. Campbell, R.M., said that he was bound to give decrees, and expressed the hope that all surcharges would be remitted.

SENT TO SPECIAL COURT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

MALLOW, Monday.

At a special court here to-day William Humerton, who had been remanded on last Friday when charged with failure to account for his movements on interrogation under the Offences Against the State Act, was sent for trial before the Special Criminal Court.

FINNS' SECOND BIG VICTORY

Soviet Division Wiped Out

AMERICAN AID FOR HARASSED COUNTRY

Germany Holds Up Italian War Material

WHILE growing aid now is being afforded Finland, the Finns are putting up a stern resistance to the Russian invaders. They claim another smashing victory on the Suomussalmi front, the biggest of the war.

Meanwhile, according to the latest despatches, Germany is holding up Italian war material for Finland, on the grounds that even indirect support of Finland is not in accordance with Germany's policy of neutrality in the Russo-Finnish war.

America is granting a loan of £15,000,000, and the question of material and humanitarian aid also is under consideration.

Toll of The Marshes

Their latest success was announced by the Finnish High Command last night.

The Finns wiped out the entire Soviet 44th Division, and captured 1,000 prisoners and an immense haul of war material, including 102 guns and 43 tanks.

The Russians were defeated largely with the aid of war material taken from their comrades of the 163rd Division, cut to pieces on the same front a week ago.

They were advancing from Raate in yet another attempt to cut Finland's "wasp waist" when they found themselves, after a brief campaign, without food or communications, and their heavy material stuck in the marshes.

The Finns issued a *communiqué* last night announcing the victory.

SUICIDE SQUADS

The Finns' latest victory, a Press Association War Special Helsinki telegram states, was made possible by heroic suicide squads, which pierced the Soviet lines and destroyed the railway they had built between Suomussalmi and Uhtua, on the Russian side of the frontier.

With their lines of communication cut, the huge Russian force was virtually starved into surrender. After a series of isolated attacks on their outposts, reported in the Finnish *communiqué* of the past few days, they became stuck in the marshy ground near Parsamonselk.

They made a vain attempt to dig themselves in, surrounded by their masses of mechanised material, but the Finns now brought their Air Force into play and dispersed their concentrations with strategic bombing.

Many Russian tanks sunk or got wedged in the ice when the frozen surface of Lake Vuokkijaervi was bombed, and hundreds of soldiers were drowned.

The Finnish losses were infinitesimal. A handful of young men, who formed the suicide squads, were killed, but otherwise the operations consisted more of mopping up than fighting.

The defeated Russians had had no previous fighting experience, and were only sent up to the front when the 163rd Division began to get into difficulties.

Skilful manœuvring by the Finnish patrols kept the two forces apart. The first was annihilated; while the others stood helplessly by. This, in its turn, was then out-manœuvred and cut off, fired on by Russian machine guns, bombarded by Russian artillery, and even bombed with Russian bombs from Russian 'planes.

AT A LOSS

According to the Lapland correspondent of the *Uusi Suomi*, the Russian prisoners on this front declare that none of the soldiers want to fight the Finns. The officers shoot men who refuse to attack, but during the fighting the men get their own back by shooting the officers. The Russians are completely at a loss in the wild countryside, the newspaper continues, and as soon as they are without food they come to the main roads and give themselves up. "Their frozen hands," it is added, "rattle like pieces of wood."

The Finnish radio, which last week broadcast appeals in Russian to the Red Army and its political commissars, last night urged the Soviet people to abandon the Government oppressing them and put an end to Communism, states a Helsinki P.A. Foreign Special telegram.

"Workers and peasants," it declared, support those who have already taken up arms against this *régime*. Crush the traitors to the working-class, the Komintern chiefs, who are the direct cause of your misfortunes. Hurry before it is too late."

ITALY'S DEMAND

Italy is insisting on the immediate release of the 'planes detained by Germany while on their way to Finland, it was reported in League of Nations circles last night, states a Geneva Associated Press telegram.

organisations have already given medical, financial and other help, it states, and these organisations are now consulting with Finnish agencies regarding the "most effective manner in which such aid may be continued and expanded."

Eire's reply to the League request to members and non-members for information about the help they propose to give Finland is regarded in Geneva as provisional.

The reply speaks of the Eire Government's intention to consult the national Red Cross on the matter, states a Reuter's Geneva telegram.

U.S. LOAN TO FINLAND

EIRE'S HELP

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

Finland will get a loan of 60,000,000 dollars (£15,000,000) from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Semi-Government Lending Agency under a bill introduced in the House of Representatives to-day. She will be able to spend the money on anything anywhere, as distinct from some U.S. loans, to which restrictions (such as a ban on the purchase of war materials) are applied.

HUMANITARIAN AID

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

The U.S. Government has informed the League of Nations that American organisations are consulting directly with Finland regarding the Finnish request for material and humanitarian assistance.

This was the reply handed over to-day by the United States Minister in Berne to the League request to members and non-members for information about the help they proposed to give to Finland.

"The Government of the United States has from the outbreak of hostilities," says the United States note, "given tangible indication of its sympathy for the people and Government of Finland in the present situation."

The American Red Cross and private

DETAINED BY GERMANY

ITALIAN 'PLANES FOR FINLAND

BERLIN, Monday.

Germany admitted to-day that Italian war 'planes destined for Finland had been held up.

The 'planes had been sent by rail to a German port on the Baltic, it was stated.

Considerations of international law and possible "violent" Russian objections to their transit to Finland prompted Germany to hold them.

It was explained that, under international law, Germany was not obliged to permit shipment of war materials through her territory, and could decide each case of such a shipment on its merits.

Informed sources indicated that Germany also wishes to prevent an extension of the war area, and took account of the fact that Russia would have objected violently if Berlin had released these 'planes from her axis ally.—Associated Press.

WAR MATERIALS HELD UP

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BRUSSELS, Monday.

A large quantity of war material, destined for Finland, has been stopped in transit by Germany, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Belga Agency.

The material appears to have originated from Italy.

So far German circles have not given any political or legal justification for this seizure.

ROME CONCERT

ROME, Monday.

British, Finnish and Italian artistes gave a concert to-night at one of the big hotels in Rome in aid of the population of Karelia. Nearly all the Embassies and Legations in Rome were represented. The event was first planned as a Finnish Italian affair, but the English baritone, Mr. Harry Beard, of Sale, Cheshire, offered his services. He sang in Italian, except for one English song, Roger Quilter's "Over the Mountain."

FINNISH PREMIER'S APPEAL

M. Risto Tyti, the Finnish Premier, appealed for foreign credit last night in a statement asserting that Finland's export trade had been crippled by the war and could pay for only part of her necessary foreign purchases, states a Helsinki Associated Press telegram.

"As we are a peace-loving nation, we previously paid little attention to the munitions industry," he said.

"The result is, now that we have been attacked, we have to obtain arms and munitions on a large scale from abroad, frequently at high prices.

"Our exports are sufficient to pay for only part of the expenditure."

The Premier said that Finland's national income was rapidly sinking.

"We have come to a pass when foreign credit is essential to us," he commented.

He declared that Finland would meet any new obligations "as faithfully as we have done up to now."

SCANDINAVIA'S ATTITUDE

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL TELEGRAM

OSLO, Monday.

Scandinavia's attitude to the Finnish-Soviet conflict is vigorously defended in the *Aftenposten* and *Tidens Tegn* to-day, commenting on the German Press campaign against the Northern countries.

The *Tidens Tegn* writes:—"We do not want a 'lebensraum' (living space) outside our own borders, but we also do not wish to be the 'libensraum' of other countries.

"We simply know that the fall of Finland would be a menace to ourselves. It is, therefore, necessary to do everything to prevent the Russian attack attaining its full objectives.

"This action is not being directed against Germany, unless Germany has a real, but secret, pact with Russia to collaborate in the occupation of the Northern countries. We refuse to believe this.

"We know that Great Britain is not threatening our integrity or independence."

MOLOTOFF FOR BERLIN

It is expected in Berlin that Molotoff, the Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar, will visit the German capital this month to repay the visit which Ribbentrop paid to Moscow, the French Radio stated last night in its Pol' news bulletin (states Reuter).

There was considerable activity along the Fermanagh-Monaghan border on Sunday night and early yesterday morning, when a force of Eire military patrolled the frontier and visited the border towns of Clones and Monaghan, as well as neighbouring villages. "B" Specials and R.U.C. were on duty on the Northern side, and all traffic passing along the border was closely scrutinised.

BULLET WOUND DESCRIBED

INQUEST ON SHOT DETECTIVE

CORONER'S SYMPATHY FOR RELATIVES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Monday.

THE inquest on Detective-Officer John Roche, victim of the shooting incident in Patrick street, Cork, on Wednesday night last, was opened at the South Infirmary, Cork, to-day, by Coroner J. J. McCabe, solicitor.

Evidence of identification was given by a brother of the dead Garda, and the results of a *post-mortem* were tendered by Dr. W. J. O'Donovan, Pathologist, University College, Cork, following which the inquest was adjourned *sine die*.

Mr. Maurice O'Connor, State Solicitor, conducted the examination of the witnesses. The Garda authorities were represented by Chief Superintendent Hannigan and Superintendent O'Driscoll. Mr. Michael Powell, solicitor, appeared for the next-of-kin, and Mr. E. F. Neville, solicitor, attended on behalf of an interested party.

Michael Roche, Ballybehy, South, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick, brother, said that he last saw his brother alive on the 3rd January. He was aged about 35 years, and was married. He next saw the body of his brother on the 4th January.

Dr. William J. O'Donovan, Pathologist, U.C.C., stated that on the 4th January he made a *post-mortem* examination of the body.

He continued: "I found a circular punctured wound, nine millimetres in diameter, just below the left costal margin, three and a-half inches from the mid-line and 47 inches from the heel. It had the appearance of a bullet entrance wound. Deceased was 6 feet high, as measured on the table. In the transverse portion of the large gut, near the spleen, there was a small perforation where the bullet entered, and a large tear where it made its exit from the gut. There was a laceration of the outer coats of the posterior wall of the stomach, due to the bullet grazing without perforating. There were perforations through both sides of the portal vein leading into a track upwards and backwards through the liver, with a large exit wound on the upper surface of the right lobe of the liver. There was a rent in the diaphragm, a punctured track through the lower lobe of the right lung, posteriorly near the margin. There was a punctured wound in the right seventh rib space, with a small groove cut in the upper border of the eighth right rib. This led to the operation incision on the back, where a bullet had been found. This point was 52½ inches from the heel. The total length of the wound track in the body was about thirteen inches. These injuries indicate a straight-line bullet track, with an inclination upwards, inwards, and backwards, and rising about five inches in a distance of about thirteen inches. Death was due to hæmorrhage from the portal vein, liver, and lung, following the bullet wound.

"GALLANT COMRADE"

Mr. O'Connor applied for an adjournment, to which the Coroner agreed.

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CRUELTY TO A RACE-HORSE

WOMAN OWNER FINED

Mrs. Bertha Verrall, of Claverton street, London, a racehorse owner, who has ridden as a jockey, was fined £20 at Southend yesterday for permitting unnecessary suffering to be caused to what was described by Mr. Gordon Jones, for the R.S.P.C.A., as an aged racehorse. It was intimated that there would be an appeal.

An Essex farmer, William Harold Flack, at whose premises the horse was sent out to grass, was fined £5 for causing the suffering by omitting to give it necessary care and attention.

Mr. Jones said that the horse was found lying in a meadow groaning and unable to rise. It was emaciated, and an inspector, finding it *in extremis*, destroyed it. When Flack was seen, he said: "I took the horse for grazing at 5s. a week. You cannot give it much hay for that." Mrs. Verrall said: "How am I to know what is happening when I am away."

Mr. Morris, a veterinary surgeon, called for the defence, said that in his opinion the horse died as the result of injuries received by a kick from another horse.

In evidence, Mrs. Verrall said that she bought this horse for £100 for the Newmarket Town Plate, in which she had ridden five times. It had won some flapping races.

Replying to Mr. F. J. Levy, her counsel, Mrs. Verrall said that she was not likely to hand her horses over to anyone who would neglect them. She added: "I am too Scotch to allow anything of value to be destroyed."

MOUNTJOY CONCERT

The Minister for Justice (Mr. Gerald Boland) and the Minister for Defence (Mr. Oscar Traynor) were among the guests at the annual concert given to the prisoners in Mountjoy Prison on last Sunday evening.

The leading professional artistes at present appearing in the Dublin theatres gave their services for the entertainment, and the cream of Dublin's amateur talent also contributed to the programme. No. 1 Army Band was conducted by Lieutenant D. P. O'Hara, and rendered a delightful recital of popular items. With the Theatre Royal Orchestra appeared Miss Mona Grey, the celebrated child mimic, and Mr. Alfred O'Shea, the well-known Irish-Australian singer.

Mr. Jimmy O'Dea and members of the Gaiety Theatre Pantomime Company played a comedy sketch, "Mrs. Mulligan in the Tram," which caused great amusement. The Queen's Theatre Company was represented by Mr. Frank O'Donovan and Company in an unroariously funny sketch, entitled "In the Hospital." Miss Coral Gunning, the Australian radio star, and Mr. Kemble Kean and Miss Laurel Mather, Miss Freda Gordon-Hall and Miss Josephine O'Hagan, principal boy and girl respectively in the Olympia Theatre pantomime, contributed songs, and Messrs. Kid and Tracy, the broker's men, were excellent in their turn.

Other items were the Thunder Brothers in variety, stepdancing by the Comerford Troupe, and songs by Messrs. S. Mooney, Joseph McNally, R. J. McCullagh, Joseph Flood, M. Bell and E. Grace.

Mr. P. J. Henry was an excellent and most entertaining compere, and contributed in great measure to the success of the evening.

In the absence, through his recent bereavement, of Ald. P. S Doyle, T.D., Chairman of the Prison Visiting Committee, Mr. John J. Sheil thanked the artistes and the management of the theatres for their co-operation in making the function such a great success.

SHIP MINED, BUT CREW ESCAPE

The entire crew of 34 of the Hull steamer, Cedrington Court (5,160 tons), were saved when the vessel sank ten minutes after an explosion off the South-east coast of England on Sunday.

The majority of the crew had time to get away in a lifeboat, but others, including the skipper, Captain Burge, had to jump into the water.

A deck boy, named McGarry, was blown twenty feet into the air, but landed on the deck and escaped with a broken leg.

The crew were picked up by a drifter and afterwards transferred to a lifeboat, which brought them ashore.

CENTRAL 'BUS TERMINUS

ASTON'S QUAY SITE APPROVED

BUILDING WILL COST £45,000

THE Town Planning Committee of Dublin Corporation have decided to recommend the Corporation to approve the proposal of the Great Southern Railways Company to erect a terminus for long distance buses on Aston's quay.

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CONVENIENT

On the other hand, the situation of the terminus at Aston's quay makes it a great convenience to the travelling public, as the Gards are ready to admit; though they propose that 'buses should henceforward approach Aston's quay terminus by Dame street and Westmoreland street, which would enable them to proceed to the garage at Broadstone without using O'Connell Bridge. Similarly the Consultants, though they wish to reserve a site on Wood quay in anticipation that the main Dublin traffic routes will tend to move westward, agree with the proposal to place the omnibus station behind the frontage of Aston's quay, with "In" and "Out" access provided, and subsidiary access to Fleet street.

RAILWAYS' PLANS

The Great Southern Railways' representatives informed the Town Planning Committee that they have plans for such a building, at an estimated cost of £45,000, exclusive of the cost of rehousing tenants at present living in buildings on the site. The company rejects the proposal made by the Arran Quay Ward Development Association that the omnibus terminus should be situated in Smithfield Market, which they consider to be insufficiently central for the purpose. The suggestion that a central station would be dangerous in the event of an aerial attack on Dublin is discountenanced, since in an emergency passengers 'buses can be diverted at a moment's notice.

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In view of these facts, the Town Planning Committee decided to recommend that the proposal of the Great Southern Railways Company to erect a terminus on Aston's Quay be acceded to, and that the materials and elevation shall be to the requirements of the City Architect. In that case the site, which has remained derelict for nearly two years, will be used to advance a step further the rehabilitation of the quay frontages.

FRENCH HONOUR FOR BRITISH GENERALS

LORD GORT AND GENERAL IRONSIDE DECORATED

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

PARIS, Monday.

General Gamelin, the Allied Generalissimo, to-day handed to General Lord Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force, and General Ironside, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, the insignia of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour. The ceremony took place after a luncheon at General Headquarters, attended by Mr. Winston Churchill.

In decorating the British Generals, General Gamelin addressed a proclamation to the troops.

The ceremony took place in the presence of a detachment of the Guards and of a Zouaves regiment, which formed a General's guard of honour.

Earlier Mr. Winston Churchill, who spent yesterday in the Royal Air Force zone, had arrived at the British Expeditionary Force headquarters, accompanied by General Ironside.

The presentation ceremony was performed before a great gathering of Allied defence chiefs. Inside a square of troops stood Sir Edmond Ironside and Lord Gort. Troops presented arms. "God Save the King" and then "La Marseillaise" were played. Drawing his sword and standing facing Lord Gort and General Ironside, General Gamelin called in a loud voice, "*Ouvrez le Ban.*" Zouave trumpets sounded. In resonant tones General Gamelin said: "In the name of the President of the French Republic, I raise you to the dignity of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour." He touched Sir Edmund lightly on each shoulder with his sword; pinned the Order on his left breast pocket; placed a broad sash of scarlet ribbon over his right shoulder, and then Sir Edmund stepped forward while the Generalissimo embraced him.

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FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

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Londonderry Corporation Fire Brigade Committee, with a majority of Nationalists in attendance to-day, decided on the proposal of Alderman McGhinchey, seconded by Councillor McGeehan, both Nationalists, to hold a Corporation inquiry into the conduct of the city fire brigade on Christmas Day in Derry Gaol during the disturbance of internees.

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BRITISH MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

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Tea, he said, was first drunk nearly five thousand years ago. It was first mentioned in the works of an Oriental writer in 2,700 B.C. Tea was one of the first commodities to make use of Press advertising. However, no great strides were made, and tea was very little drunk in this country until 1840 when India started to send us some. Two years previous to this the first shipment of India tea had reached London, and it was sold by auction at prices varying from 18s. to 35s. per lb. To-day India produces well over half the world's production, and we in Ireland get tea only from the Indian Empire. Ninety per cent. of our total supplies comes from there.

Having described the cultivation of the tea plant Mr. Mulligan said that people should remember that blending was the expert's job, and should not try mixing different kinds to make a blend of their own.

The consumption of tea in Ireland has been growing year by year for the last hundred years, so that to-day we are the second largest tea-drinking community in the world, with an annual consumption of 7.2lbs. per head of the population, which is far more than in America and Russia. The United Kingdom tops the world consumption with no less than 9.98lbs. per head of the population. Generally speaking better and finer teas are used over here.

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On the motion of Mr. Felix Hughes the thanks of the meeting were voted to Mr. Mulligan.

Mr. J. J. Keane, President, occupied the chair.

DAMAGE BY FOXES IN MEATH

COMMITTEE RESENTS TERMS OF LETTER

From Our Correspondent.

NAVAN, Monday.

Disappointment and dissatisfaction was expressed by the members of the Meath Agricultural Committee to-day when a letter from the Department was read stating that, after consideration of returns of foxes killed by the Hunt clubs, the Minister had decided to defer until the end of the present hunting season consideration of the committee's scheme. At the end of the season steps would be taken to ascertain how far the measures adopted by the Hunt clubs to reduce the number of foxes in the county have been effective, and the matter would then be further reviewed. The letter added that the committee would appreciate that any measure which would result in the large-scale destruction of foxes in the county would have serious repercussions on the horse-breeding industry.

Mr. Condon said that he thought the Department's reply an outrageous one. The committee did not propose to do away with all the foxes, nor to do hunting any injury. They had received representations from people who had to abandon their poultry stations owing to the menace of foxes, and the committee would have to protect their poultry industry.

Mr. Tallon said that the letter was just one more big disappointment. He referred to poultry-keepers who had whole flocks of fowl killed by foxes, and when the owners applied for compensation to the Hunts or do away with the foxes the reply they got was that there was no funds to pay compensation, and there was little or no hunting owing to the war. In England they were doing away with foxes, also rabbits and other pests. The committee were as much concerned with the horse-breeding scheme as the Hunt people and would not stand for the total destruction of foxes. They had talked enough, and apparently the only course open to poultry-keepers was to lay poison, a course which he did not approve, but one to which he thought they had no other alternative.

The chairman (Mr. M. O'Reilly, T.D.) said that in 1896 the Meath pack hunted five days of the week. There were two other packs in the county then, each hunting two or three days a week, and in Louth the hunt was out four days a week. The lowest number of foxes killed in a year then was 200. The position to-day was that in Meath the hunt only turned out twice weekly. There must, he said, be an extraordinary increase in foxes.

Mr. McCabe said that the Department seemed to be more concerned about the hunt than about the suffering farmers.

Mr. Condon—We should let the Department know that we are not satisfied with their letter, and that we wish to take steps within the next few weeks to put our scheme into operation, and that we want a definite reply within a week.

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A GROUP taken at yesterday's meeting of the Council of State, at the residence of the President. Seated (from left): Mr. J. M. Dillon, T.D.; Mr. Frank Fahy, T.D.; Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, Mr. de Valera, Prime Minister; President Hyde, Mr. M. McDunphy, Secretary to the President; Chief Justice Sullivan, Mr. Justice Conor Maguire, and Senator Michael Tierney. Standing: Mr. P. Lynch, Attorney-General; Senator Sean Gibbons, Senator Dr. Farnan, General R. Mulcahy, T.D.; Senator Sir John Keane and Mr. William Norton, T.D.

IN THE GARDENS.—A colourful show of cyclamen, and, in the background, spring-flowering bulbs and Moschosma Riparium, in the Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin.

MR. PAT MULLIGAN, who spoke on "The Story of Tea" at yesterday's weekly luncheon meeting of the Dublin Rotary Club.

ORANGES IN JANUARY—Three orange trees, in pots, bearing fruit in the Botanic Gardens. Left: The Pitcher Plant, so called from the water jug-shaped growth which is connected to the leaf by a thin stalk. (See "An Irishman's Diary.")

A GROUP taken at the second annual dinner of the Stags' Choir, at the Gresham Hotel on Saturday night. In the picture are Mr. and Mrs. R. Archer, Mr. R. F. Christian, Mr. D. Brand, and Mr. and Mrs. Cole.

THE COMMITTEE which organised Saturday night's Ceilidhe, in the Mansion House, photographed with the Lord Mayor (Mrs. Tom Clarke).

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FLAX-GROWING IN EIRE

COMMITTEE TOLD OF OPPORTUNITIES

Flax-growing for profit was urged yesterday before the County Dublin Committee of Agriculture.

Mr. Thomas J. Lush, 39 Tyrconnell road, Inchicore, when making application for the position of temporary flax instructor, said that he estimated that 10,000 Irish acres of land if set in flax should be worth £4,000,000 gross profit. Dublin lands might yield 100 to 140 stone of flax per acre, but the average crop would certainly be 80 stone per Irish acre. The price of British controlled flax was something over £1 per stone. Irish flax was far stronger and superior to the Dutch or Belgian flax, and had a far better fibre.

If they grew as much flax here as the six counties were going to grow this year they could employ up to 50,000 people for six months of the year.

Mr. Lush said that already he had obtained a mill and land for experimental work from Mr. R. Holland, a member of the Committee.

It was decided to ask Mr. Lush to submit a report for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

Mr. J. J. McGrane, chairman, presided.

A resolution requesting the Government to consider favourably the question of giving a grant of £2 for every acre tilled during this winter and the coming spring was adopted, in place of a resolution submitted by the Tipperary (South Riding) County Committee of Agriculture, which asked that the grant be paid for every acre of grassland ploughed.

The amended resolution was forwarded to the Tipperary Committee.

DUBLIN 'BUS DRIVER'S DEATH

INQUEST VERDICT

Death from asphyxia, following carbon monoxide poisoning, was the verdict at an inquest held at the Londonbridge Morgue yesterday on Michael Tanham (49), a 'bus driver, of Milltown. He was found at his residence lying on the floor of the kitchen with his head in the gas oven.

Dr. J. W. Rutherford, giving evidence, said that he had recently been attending Tanham, who had been rather depressed.

DEATH FROM BURNS

A verdict of accidental death was returned yesterday at the Harcourt Street Children's Hospital at an inquest on Mary Jane Murphy (9), Clogher road, Crumlin. The deceased girl was admitted to the hospital on January 6th suffering from extensive burns, caused by her nightdress catching fire. Death was due to shock and toxæmia as a result of the accident.

FIRE IN DUBLIN SHOP

MAN TREATED FOR INJURIES

Flames were blown half-way across the street yesterday when a fire broke out in a grocery and spirits stores, Carysfort avenue, Blackrock. The alarm was given shortly after noon, and a section of the Dún Laoghaire Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene. Occupants of adjoining houses were evacuated, as there was considerable danger of the flames spreading, but after about a quarter-of-an-hour the fire was brought under control. It was found that although the shop had suffered considerable damage the store at the back of the premises had been saved. The owner, Mr. Joseph Searson, had to be treated for injuries to his face and head, but was later discharged from hospital.

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SIX INJURED IN TRAIN COLLISION

Two trains collided head-on in the black-out near Ware, Herts., last night, and six persons were taken to hospital. Only one was detained—Henry Matson (55), of Wragby road, Leytonstone, fireman of one of the trains. He received a fractured hand and suffered from shock.

City of Dublin Vocational Education Committee

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PROVIDING DUBLIN'S WATER SUPPLY

SCHEME THAT WILL COST NEARLY A MILLION

A paper on the Liffey water supply scheme was read last night by Mr. D. K. Ryan, B.A., B.A.I., at a meeting in Dublin of the Institute of Civil Engineers of Ireland. Mr. Ryan told his audience that the conduit which will convey the new water supply to Dublin is in an advanced stage of construction, 19 miles out of a total length of 25 miles having been completed. The concrete aqueduct runs from Ballymore-Eustace to Windmillhill, near Rathcoole, and the water is carried from there into Dublin by pipes. The water will be drawn from the reservoir at Poulaphuca through two tunnels, which have been driven through the rock about 200 yards above the dam. These tunnels lead to the valve shaft, 70 feet in depth, situated near the main road, in which is placed the regulating machinery, which will be electrically operated.

An outlet tunnel, 500 yards in length, has been constructed to convey the water from the valve shaft to the lower ground, whence it will be carried by pipe to the filter beds, which will be located at Bishopsland, near Ballymore-Eustace. From there the water will be conveyed for three-quarters of a mile by a steel pipe to the start of the concrete aqueduct, at the north-east of Ballymore-Eustace. The excavation for the filters is now in progress, and when they are completed the water will be purified by chemical methods. From Windmillhill the water will be carried by steel pipes to the city boundary at Blackhorse Bridge, Inchicore, and thence by cast iron pipes along Tyrconnell road, Grattan Crescent, Inchicore road, through the Memorial Park and over the Sarah Bridge, where it enters the Phœnix Park.

A service reservoir (which corresponds to the Stillorgan reservoir on the Vartry system) will be constructed in the former aerodrome lands near Tallaght.

Mr. Ryan's paper was mainly concerned with a technical discussion of the relative merits of steel and cast iron pipes, ten miles of steel pipe having been laid and three miles of cast iron. Although extremely thin, being little more than ¼-inch in thickness, the steel pipe can withstand tremendous pressures without bursting. It is estimated that the preliminary works will be completed by the end of this year, and further works will be undertaken as consumption from the new system increases.

The estimated cost of the scheme to be borne by the Corporation is £896,000. Of this sum £126,000 will be paid to the Electricity Supply Board as a contribution towards the cost of the reservoir.

A vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Mr. M. A. Moynihan, seconded by Mr. P. H. McCarthy, and passed. Mr. J. A. Ryan, B.A., B.A.I, presided.

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ENGLISH RACING TOPICS

THE VARIED CAREER OF GEMMA DI VERGY

Sire of Some Notable Winners at Curraghmore

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday Night.

It is not exactly a happy start in life by a highly-bred two-year-old when his owner has to be taken away and hanged for a diabolically wilful murder in Stafford Gaol. The reference is to Gemma Di Vergy, a very distinguished racehorse of the fifties, and a most successful sire in Ireland and in England. The story of Dr. William Palmer, the Rugeley poisoner, and owner of Gemma as a two-year-old, is too well known to be recapitulated. What is not so well known is that in the following season Gemma Di Vergy was seized by the Sheriff of Berkshire in connection with an affair entirely apart from Palmer.

Never has a very good horse's career been so affected on the personal side, and it has already been told in this correspondence how, after Lord Waterford was killed out hunting, he was sold to a gentleman, who was overcome by a grievous infliction, almost immediately, and was re-sold in Dublin within a few weeks.

Gemma Di Vergy had another Irish connection, in that he had fortuitously passed as a three-year-old into the hands of Charles Francis Coghlan, who in the thirties had been apprenticed to a Dublin merchant, had forsaken commerce for the Turf, had owned racehorses in Ireland, and had come to England, where he was at times a very successful speculator.

Sold at Tattersalls

After Palmer was hanged, Gemma Di Vergy was sold at Tattersalls for 105 guineas to the Manchester bookmaker, Hargreaves, who re-sold him for £500 to the Hon. Francis Lawley, brother of Lord Wenlock, later to become Governor of South Australia, and then to return to England and become one of the best and most polished writers on Turf matters that has ever put pen to paper.

In 1856 Mr. Lawley was owning horses and betting on a considerable scale. When funds were low he asked Coghlan for an accommodation, and Coghlan, having just won something like £3,000 over Ellington's Derby, lent him two sums of £400 and £250. When things became very bad, and it was imperatively necessary for him to go abroad, Mr. Lawley transferred Gemma Di Vergy to Coghlan in settlement of the debt.

Mr. Lawley appears to have had bill transactions with one La Merte, a moneylender, and when he had left the country La Merte hastily entered an action, and, this being undefended, went by default, so the Sheriff went to the training stable of Joseph Dawson at Ilsley and seized Gemma Di Vergy.

Case in Court

The story all came out at Oxford, when the case of Coghlan v. La Merte was heard, before Mr. Justice Willes and a special jury, the action having been referred by the Court of Exchequer to determine whether, when the warrant was executed Gemma Di Vergy was the property of Coghlan or of Mr. Lawley.

The defendant, La Merte, dodged the issue and did not appear, but his counsel did his best to blacken Coghlan's character in the endeavour to prove that there had never been a genuine sale of the horse to him. It happened that before Ellington's Derby Coghlan had been through some bad periods, and was technically a "defaulter." He had not been "posted," but he had been warned by the Ring not to appear on racecourses until he had "settled."

For this reason, while he owned Gemma Di Vergy, the horse ran as the property of Mr. Walker, though Coghlan paid the training bills and the forfeits and received the stakes won. These had amounted to between £1,500 and £2,000; for Gemma Di Vergy had proved himself a very high-class horse.

At Cross-examination

The evidence of his bankers showed that at the time of the transfer Coghlan was in funds, and all the other evidence was to the effect that it was an entirely genuine transfer of the horse in settlement of a debt. There appear to have been diverting moments in the cross-examination of Coghlan by Serjeant Piggott, as the following extracts from the report of the case suggests:—

"You have been a good deal on the Turf?—Yes; I have.

"From 1850 to 1855 did you sustain considerable losses?—Very great; in fact, I was perfectly ruined (ironical laughter).

"Were your affairs in 1855 in a state to oblige you to take advantage of the Insolvent Act?—Unfortunately so. The witness here appeared considerably affected and shed tears upon making the admission."

Won £10,000 at Blind Hookey

Coghlan admitted that soon after coming to England he had won £10,000 at the game of blind hookey, and when counsel asked, sarcastically: "Do you win £10,000 every day?" he replied, with tears in his eyes, "I have never won anything since by cards or dice. I will never play again. It has been a great moral lesson to me. I will never touch cards or dice again, and bitterly do I repent ever having done so."

The penitential garment suited Mr. Coghlan well and had a marked effect on the court. The judge said it was a simple question whether the sale by Mr. Lawley for £650 was a genuine one, and the jury after an absence of only a few minutes said it was, and gave their verdict accordingly.

Gemma Di Vergy was released and was soon disporting himself to advantage on racecourses again. Within six weeks, in the name of Mr. Walker, he won twice at Newmarket, and again twice at Chester, while in the name of Mr. John Robinson, a Newcastle bookmaker, he finished second to Skirmisher in the Ascot Gold Cup.

Winners Sired at Curraghmore

At the end of his racing career Lord Waterford bought him, and while at Curraghmore he sired some notable winners, including Gem of the Sea, who took the Royal Hunt Cup in 1854 for the County Cork owner, Mr Mounteford Longfield, of Castle Mary.

His last sale in Dublin was to Sir Lydston Newman, who established him at his Mamhead stud, near Exeter, in Devonshire, where he was an ornament for many years. The name of the son of Sir Hercules occurs in a great many pedigrees of good horses of the present day.

GALTEE MORE.

TRAINING STABLES

R. Fetherstonhaugh's Team at Loughbrown Cottage.

BY OUR CURRAGH CORRESPONDENT.

A GENIAL, unassuming and much-liked personality is the Loughbrown Cottage trainer, R. Fetherstonhaugh. His experience with horses dates back a long time, and at different periods he has won all our most valuable steeplechases, some classics and a host of events of minor importance. His charges always pay tribute to strict personal supervision, both on the training grounds and in the home stables, and, ever looking big and well in themselves, are never overdone in any respect.

Bob Fetherstonhaugh has at the moment one of the best selection of 'chasers, hurdlers and flat-race performers in this country, and has never commenced a season with such promising and proven talent.

Among the "proven" division are Young Mischief and Duke of Burgundy, both owned by Mr James V. Rank, and engaged in the Red Cross Steeplechase and the Leopardstown £500 Hurdle, respectively, on January 20th. Great hopes of completing a notable double event appear to be fully justified.

Those who have already supported Young Mischief will learn with satisfaction that this nine-year-old is very well in himself. His Cheltenham and Bogside performances leave one in no doubt concerning his ability to stay. The question as to whether he is capable of maintaining a good gallop is readily answered by a reference to his Scottish Grand National triumph in 1938, when he made most of the running, and eventually brought about the downfall of the very fast Rightun. Both these essentials, plus the fact that he has been given a handy weight only 3lb. above the minimum, suggest that Young Mischief must be difficult to beat.

A PROMISING HURDLER

Nor has Duke of Burgundy been overweighted in the valuable hurdle race. This son of My Prince will be recalled running most promisingly behind Archduke II. at the Christmas reunion at Leopardstown. He is returning to his best form, and is definitely a better proposition over hurdles than over fences.

Later on we shall see the introduction of some very promising novices—hurdlers and 'chasers—from Loughbrown, and one must be prepared for many winners being found among them. The Irish St. Leger winner, Skoiter, has already been allowed to "pop" over some small hurdles, and leaves the impression that he will be a high-class horse at this branch of the business when he has gained the necessary experience. Brennan likes the going better than that which obtained at Naas last Saturday, when he did sufficient to be noted as a certain winner in the near future, while G.B. will be bad to beat in a novices' steeplechase. Roundsman, Going Strong and Mayerling are promising horses that have never run in public, but, like Goldbeater, Shannon, Bluster and Luxury Tax, their turn will come in due course. I believe they are all worth noting for the future.

Precious Polly and Tsana, who are engaged in the classics, and Fumble, who was placed in England last season, are still maidens, but with credentials sufficiently good to assured at last one victory apiece during the new campaign.

On breeding alone the two-year-olds will make general appeal. On the score of looks some should certainly train on into racehorses of merit.

A BROTHER OF IPSWICH

For particular attention I have singled out Zog, who is a neatly - turned brother of Ipswich; The White Hart, who appears to take after her very useful dam, Take a Glass, and the Trimdon colt out of Lampeto, who is a half-brother of Strapeto and Petoford. These are owned by Major D. McCalmont, who has second claim on the services of the excellent jockey, B. Carslake.

Mr. J. V. Rank owns both the Felicitation colts, as well as the Sir Cosmo filly. The latter is, perhaps, the pick of the trio at the moment, but there is a whole lot to like about the Millrock colt, who is a fine goer and bred to race.

Lieutenant-Colonel Giles Loder's Annabel filly is a half-sister of Antrim, and looks like coming to hand much more readily than did Sir Percy Loraine's Beresford Stakes winner in his first season. I should think, also, that Lord Fingall will bear of a success for his filly, Seventeen, before the new season is far advanced. The Duke of St. Alban's Bretonne is a speedy-looking youngster, but the great, raky Rosston will be the more backward, and will probably distinguish herself later on as a stayer.

HORSES IN TRAINING

FOUR-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARDS.

ANYWAY, b. m., 5 yrs., by Grand Glacier—The Widow Murphy.
BLUSTER, ch. g., 4 yrs., by Tonton—Bachelor's Wee.
BRENNAN, br. g., 5 yrs., by Sun Yat Sen—Miss Flinky.
COOL AVON, b. g., 6 yrs., by Santavon—Coolgar.
COTTAGE LOAF, b. g., 11 yrs., by Cottage, dam by Prepared.
DUKE OF BURGUNDY, gr. g., 7 yrs., by My Prince—Beaujolais.
G. B., ch. g., 8 yrs., by Passer, dam by Cellini—Heriot.
GOING STRONG, ch. g., 5 yrs., by Forerunner—Not Far.
GOLDBEATER, b. g., 7 yrs., by Goldcourt—Mary Ardgo.
GREEK MINSTREL, b. g., 8 yrs., by Greek Bachelor—Ardgo.
HEBRIDEAN, ch. g., 7 yrs., by Coronach—Lennoxlove.
LUXURY TAX, br. g., 5 yrs., by Embargo—Fantastic.
MAYERLING, br. g., 5 yrs., by My Prince—Reynoldstown's Sister.
PULCHER, br. g., 9 yrs., by Pucka Sahib—Dowery.
ROUNDSMAN, b. g., 5 yrs., by Culzean—Milbrian Born.
SHANNON, b. g., 6 yrs., by Upsalquitch—Miss Skoiter.
SKOITER, ch. g., 4 yrs., by Singapore—Spy Ann.
YOUNG MISCHIEF, b. g., 9 yrs., by Jackdaw of Rheims—Layola.

THREE-YEAR-OLDS.

COBWID, br. f., by Colosquid—The Widow Murphy.
FUMBLE, br. f., by Pageyrus—Lady's Lace.
LION CATCHER, b. g., by Coup de Lyon—Flatcatcher's Daughter.
LION OF ROSALEEN, ch. c., by Coup de Lyon—Rosaleen.
PRECIOUS POLLY, ch. f., by Hyperion—Baby Polly.
SOLEMNIZE, b. g., by Solenoid—Santonica.
TSANA, gr. f., by Easton—Atbara.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS

APACE, br. f., by Werwolf—Vestigia.
BRETONNE, b. f., by Tonton—Bywheet.
NEPHELE, ch. f., by Apron—Saint Cloud.
ROSSTON, ch. f., by Tonton—Roseleaf.
SEVENTEEN, b. f., by Rose Prince—Sixteen.
SLEIGH BELL, ch. f., by Bobsleigh—Red Biddy.
THE WHITE HART, gr. f., by Windsor Lad—Take a Glass.
ZOG, b. g., by Tetratema—Zelah.
Bl. C., by Felicitation—Millrock.
Br. C., by Felicitation—Venturesome.
Br. C., by Trimdon—Lampeto.
Br. F., by Fairway—Annabel.
Br. F., by Sir Cosmo—Ruby Mac
Br. F., by Windsor Lad—Atbara.
Ch. G., by Horus—Ojala.
Gr. C., by Mr. Jinks—Mary Fischer.

OWNERS—Duke of St. Albans, Earl of Fingall, Lord Bicester, Colonel Giles Loder, Colonel Scott Moore, Colonel R. Hill-Dillon, Colonel R. Dillon-Lay, Major D. M'Calmont, Mr. J. V. Rank, Mr. N. Mahoney, Mr. R. B. Henry, Mr. E. Beattie, and Mr. B. Gallivan.

JOCKEYS—J.N.H., J. Costello and P. J. Murphy; Rt. Carslake (st. 7lb., for Major D. M'Calmont, 2nd claim), J. Moylan (st. 3lb.), and J. O'Reilly (1st.).

BADMINTON

CLOSE STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY

Gas Company's Severe Contest with Glenageary

Chief interest in the Dublin and District Badminton League continues to centre in the struggle for supremacy in Section A1 between the Gas Company and Glenageary. The eagerly-expected first round match between these teams was played at the D'Olier street hall last Tuesday night, and, as the result of a 5-3 win, Gas Company holds an advantage. They have played five matches and have captured 36 points out of a possible 40. Glenageary, on the other hand, have played four matches and have annexed 27 points out of 32. In other words, Gas Company are four short of their maximum, while Glenageary have failed to maintain a hundred per cent. average by five points. Gas Company, having played an extra match, have the shorter course to cover, and that further favours their ultimate chance of success.

As anticipated the match last Tuesday was close and well fought, and it is satisfactory to record that Glenageary was, in spite of fears to the contrary, able to put its strongest side in court. Gas Company were also well represented, and, except that the winners had the advantage of playing at home, the score may fairly be taken as representing comparative strength. The matter of venue will be made square in the return match, which will be played at Glenageary headquarters.

That contest should be full of interest if the teams continue their present level rate of progress. Both have important engagements during this week. Gas Company oppose Ailesbury at the hall of the latter club next Friday, and on Monday next Glenageary will be at home to Epworth. In the present position every point is of the utmost importance, so we may be sure the contests will be keen.

HARD-FOUGHT GAMES

Though only two of the rubbers in the match at the Gas Company Hall last Tuesday ran to three games, the evening's play provided plenty of excitement, and this will be understood when it is said that Gas Company recovered from 0-3 down to win 5-3, taking the last five rubbers off the reel. Glenageary won the first men's doubles easily, C. H. Maidment and J. S. Wilson beating A. G. Trapnell and E. L. Warren 15-8, 15-10.

In the second men's doubles the Gas Company pair, J. S. Brewster and W. J. Grey, won the opening game to 11, but B. F. Shubotham and E. H. Maynard then rallied magnificently, and for the loss of nine points in each they won the next two for the rubber. Continuing the run, the Misses N. and P. Conway played magnificent badminton to gain an overwhelming victory against Mrs. A. G. Trapnell and Miss V. Gillespie, 15-5, 15-8.

It remained for the Misses E. Smyth and O. Poole to check Glenageary's career, and by a very decisive win over Miss C. Robinson and Mrs. Wilson—15-10, 15-9—they had the distinction of giving Gas Company their first success. From that on Gas Company had matters their own way, except that J. S. and Mrs. Wilson made a big effort to win the second mixed doubles, which would have enabled Glenageary to draw the match; in the end E. L. Warren and Miss Gillespie won—17-15, 15-18, 18-13.

The other three mixed doubles went in favour of Gas Company in straight games, the home pairs in this phase showing admirable appreciation of the value of sound combination.

Other league results to hand since last week have not caused many striking changes in the positions of teams.

Tally Ho had a good win in B4, beating Dublin Friends 6-2, but neither of these teams are prominent contenders for premier honours; and Old Corps maintain their comfortable lead.

In C1, Ailesbury 3rd beat Clarinda 2nd 5-3, and are close up to the leaders, Monkstown, and Epworth (Dalkey) 8s. Michan's consolidated their position at the ton of C2 by beating Garda 5-3, and seem unlikely to be overtaken, though Beaumont 2nd, who have played few matches, could still do so. In C3, Balbriggan played a draw with City of Dublin Y.M.C.A., 4-4; but this section seems to lie between Central and Caledonia.

Two big wins have placed St. Philip's 2nd at the top of D3; they beat Rathmines 3rd 6-2, and Rathmines Parish 2nd 8-0. Mayfield beat Rathmines 3rd 5-3.

In D4 St. Peter's beat Fingal 5-3, and St. Kevin's beat Ailesbury 4th 6-2.

In E1 St. Kevin's 2nd had two good wins, beating Presbyterian "C" 2nd 8-0 and St. Michan's 2nd 5-3.

LEAGUE FIXTURES

League fixtures for the next week are as follow:—

To-day (Tuesday) — Dundrum v. St. Philip's; Epworth v. Beaumont; Woodbrook v. Abbey Church; Rathmines 2nd v. Gas Company 2nd; Ailesbury 3rd v. Clarinda 2nd; Monkstown v. Rathmines Y.M.C.A.; Sandymount Recreation 2nd v. Rathmines Parish 2nd; Harding v. City of Dublin Y.M.C.A. 2nd; Clontarf Methodist 2nd v. Gas Company 6th; Norwood v. Dundrum 3rd; Tally Ho 2nd v. Mariner's Hall; St. Michan's 3rd v. Lucan 3rd; Silchester 3rd v. Presbyterian "C" 3rd.

To-morrow (Wednesday) — Sandford v. Ailesbury 2nd; Crinken v. Presbyterian "C"; Gas Company 5th v. Woodbrook 2nd; Clontarf Parish 2nd v. Dublin Friends 2nd; Abbey Church 3rd v. Leeson Park; Rathmines Y.M.C.A. 2nd v. C.Y.M.S.

Thursday—Dublin Friends v. Lucan; Beaumont 2nd v. Abbey Church 2nd; Dundrum 2nd v. St. Michan's; City of Dublin Y.M.C.A. v. Central; Presbyterian "C" 2nd v. Jacobs 3rd; Municipal 2nd v. Rathmines Guild.

Friday—Ailesbury v. Gas Company; Rathmines Parish 2nd v. Charleston 2nd; Beaumont 3rd v. Woodbrook 3rd; Mayfield v. St. Philip's 2nd; Epworth (Dalkey) 2nd v. Clarinda 3rd; Caledonia 2nd v. Gas Company 6th; Norwood v. St. Michan's 2nd.

Saturday—Pembroke v. Jacobs; Silchester v. Rathmines Y.M.C.A.; Fingal v. St. Andrew's; St. Kevin's 3rd v. York 2nd.

Monday—Glenageary v. Epworth; Harold's Cross v. Gas Company 3rd; Adelaide v. Balbriggan; Jacobs 2nd v. City of Dublin 2nd; St. Peter's 2nd v. Abbey Church 3rd.

The first rounds of the Midland Branch Cups must be completed by January 27, so competing teams should arrange to play off ties as early as possible.

COURSING

PLENTY OF HARES AT DONABATE

BLACK BELL SHOWED GOOD PUPPY PACE

BY OUR COURSING CORRESPONDENT.

There was no scarcity of game on the Donabate Club's preserves yesterday, but the hares came rather awkwardly to White from the first beat. As a rule they broke to the bottoms on his left, and after the turn little or nothing was seen of the coursing by anyone except the judge. They were good, strong hares, however, and thirteen average length trials were obtained before we moved off to Mr. Smyth's land, where a couple more beats finished an enjoyable day.

Had the Portrane Stakes, for all-ages filled, the I.C.C. grant of £25 would have been added, but it was short by half-a-dozen, and the £14 for winner and second was divided between Mr. M. Roch's Swift Battle and Mr. M. J. Fogarty's Ardfort. The latter had to go to slips a second time in the second round, and may have been fortunate to raise the flag over Doctor's Car, as he twice ran out rather badly after leading a couple of lengths. Another unlucky loser, as I thought, was Mick Decide, who seemed to score the opening points from Swift Battle by a few lengths and hold his own in the exchanges. The puppies were hard run. Mr. O'Dea's pair, Black Bell and Spirit of Venice, divided. Possibly Black Bell is the better; he certainly showed good puppy pace, and in each course commanded his hare so determinedly that he scored practically all the points.

DONABATE STAKES, for eight puppies—Black Bell (6l.) beat Snap Up; Roving Pedlar a bye. Harristown Sandy disq.; Spirit of Venice beat Knocker's Bank (unsighted); Queen's Luck (2l.) beat Riggin's Hero.

Second Round—Black Bell (6l.) beat Roving Pedlar; Spirit of Venice (2l.) beat Queen's Luck.

Mr. D. O'Dea's bk. d. Black Bell (Six Bells—Steed First) and his f. d. Spirit of Venice (Gaeloide Silver—Portin's Lass) divided.

PORTRANE STAKES, for 10 all ages—Swift Battle (2l.) beat Fingal Hero; Mick Decide (3l.) beat Odd Fee; Doctor's Car (on big inside) beat Portain Raven (1l.); Ardfort (6l.) beat Deirdre's Love; Lucky Landing (3l.) beat Prince's Daughter.

Second Round—Swift Battle beat Mick Decide (3l.); Ardfort (2l.) beat Doctor's Car; Lady Lambo a bye.

Third Round—Swift Battle (2l.) beat Lady Lambo; Ardfort a bye.

Mr. M. Roch's bk. d. Swift Battle (Into Battle—Swift Maiden) and Mr. M. J. Fogarty's bd. d. Ardfort (Brilliant Bob—Wide Awake) divided.

TURVEY STAKES, for eight two-course all-ages—Bright Escort beat Armadale Lad (1l.); Lily Moore (3l.) beat Chief Bit; Border Brunette (2l.) beat Wallah's Own; Fawn Pet beat Eve Ballet.

Second Round—Bright Escort beat Lily Moore (unsighted); Fawn Pet (4l.) beat Border Brunette.

Decider—Mr. P. McDermott's f. d. Fawn Pet (Robin's Link—Masie) (2l.) beat Mr. T. A. Bruton's bd. w. d. Bright Escort (Fulford—Brown Stripes).

BALLYMORE

Judge—Mr. J. J. Flynn. Slipper—P. Leech.

MEMBERS' STAKE AND DR. JOYCE CUP (16 dogs).

Decider—Mr. D. Casey's f. b. Dago's Pet (Dago Frank—Betty Warrior) beat Messrs. Geraghty and Doyle's b. f. d. Burst the Border (Valiant Cullen—Winsome Lassie).

TRIAL STAKE (12 puppies)—Dusky Night beat Knight of Snowden; Timely Bid beat Champion Indeed; Ruddell's Best beat Hanston Chevalier; Mostrim Davy beat Negro's Brilliant; Grand Winter beat Young Godiva; Whiteside beat Greenmount Banker.

Second Round—Timely Bid beat Dusky Night; Ruddell's Best beat Mostrim Davy; Grand Winter beat Whiteside.

Third Round—Timely Bid beat Ruddell's Best; Grand Winter a bye.

Decider—Mr. J. Hegarty's bk. d. Grand Winter (Feather Peg—Winter Cherry) beat Mr. H. Thorpey's f. d. Timely Bid (Tinnerand—Trickle On).

COLLINSTOWN STAKE (8 bitch puppies)—Swiss Miss beat Dancing Moon; Blue Benny beat Valiant Sister (2); Northopla beat Betsy Moon; Brogue beat Rajah's Fancy.

Second Round—Blue Benny beat Swiss Miss; Brogue beat Northopla.

Decider—Mr. J. Brady's br. Blue Benny (Dasher Lad—Duritan) beat Messrs. McDaid and Martin's bd. Brogue (Mr. Moon—Gipsy Colleen).

BALLYMORE STAKE (8 all ages)—Tragic Stamp beat Magee's Bridge; Plimsol Mark beat Mischief's Hope; Try and Win beat Kilcurragh Turn; Roving Brownie beat Bracklin Skipper.

Second Round—Tragic Stamp a bye. Plimsol Mark drawn; Roving Brownie beat Try and Win.

Decider—Mr. H. Thorpey's f. d. Tragic Stamp (Tinnerand—Crossing Stamp) beat Mrs. J. Kelly's bd. b. Roving Brownie (Gaelic Rover—Prudent Daisy).

GLONCULLEN STAKE (8 2-course all ages)—Stake divided between Mr. C. Coogan's f. b. Carmel (Castlemorris Pirate—Vixen's Pet) and Miss E. Hoctor's bd. b. Queen of the Midges (White Sandals—Shevramore).

SURPLUS STAKE (6 2-course all ages).

Decider—Mr. H. Tynan's bd. b. Fading Spinster (Hedge Aside—Nancy Airlie) beat Mr. K. Kilmartin's bd. d. Gay Moon (Mr. Moon—Gipsy Colleen).

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

WARD UNION.

January.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 10th	Fairyhouse Bridge	1.30
Saturday, 13th	Cabin Hill	1.30

THE KILDARE.

To-day	Furness	11. 0
Thursday, 11th	Burtown Crossroads	11. 0
Saturday, 13th	Donadea P.O.	11. 0

THE MEATH.

To-day	Kilmoon Cross-roads	11. 0
Thursday, 11th	Bective	11. 0
Friday, 12th	Laracor	11. 0

OTHER MEETS TO-DAY.

Ballynacad Hounds—Ballyfore, 11.0.
Carlow Hounds—Bull Ring, Rathmore, 11.0.
Coollattin Hounds—Coolbeg, 11.0.
Gaultier Hounds—Half-way House, 11.0.
North Kilkenny Hounds—Three Castles, 11.0.
Ormond Hounds—Sharavogue Cross, 11.0.
Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Borrisoleigh, 12.0.
South Union Hounds—Ballinhassig, 11.0.
U.H.C. Hounds—Watergrasshill, 11.30.
Waterford Hounds—Curraghmore (Courtyard), 11.0.
West Waterford Hounds—Croagh Cross, 11.0.
Westmeath Hounds—Lisnabin, 11.0.
South Westmeath Hounds—The Pike, 11.0.
Wexford Hounds—Rosegarland, 11.0.
Clare Harriers—Carroll's Bridge, 12.0.
Fingal Harriers—Seventh Milestone (Ashbourne road), 12.0.
Longford Harriers—Abbeydertig, 12.0.
Mr. O'Hara's Harriers—Colloney, 11.30.
East Galway Hounds—Kellysgrove P.O., 11.0.

HUNT CARDS.

KILDARE HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—Thursday, 11th January—Burtown Cross-roads, instead of Moone.

GOLF

CLUB NOTICES

ISLAND.

Ladies' Branch.—To-morrow—Medal, strokes.

CO. LOUTH.

Nine Holes Competition—L. A. Kehoe (7), 37; R. Murdock (4½) and J. Monahan (6½), 37½. December Box Competition—Rev. S. C. Cullen (10), 36; J. J. Daly (9), 38. Sunday, 14th inst.—Fourball foursomes (aggregate). Draws 10 a.m. to 1 o'clock.

SUTTON.

Ladies' Branch.—Medal. Class I.—Miss Mary Walsh (10), 73. Class II.—Mrs. Cotter (36), 79.

FOXROCK.

Ladies' Branch.—Medal — 1st class, Mrs. Murnaghan; 2nd class, Countess Taaffe. To-day—Sweepstake, 18 holes, eclectic. Draw, 10.30.

BARLOW.

Monthly Cup competition—D. Connolly (12), 68; J. A. T. Wolfe (12), 71; T. A. Mulcahy (6), 74.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

WANDERERS' SCHOOLBOYS

The annual match between the schoolboy members who play for Irish schools and those who play for other schools will be played at Lansdowne road on Friday next at 2.45. The following teams have been selected:—

Irish Schools—H. S. Wiles (Kilkenny College); R. S. Allen (King's Hospital), P. M. Roantree (St. Gerards), J. D. O'Reilly (Sandford Park), J. R. Lowe (Campbell); C. Jermyn (St. Andrews), B. Higgins (Castleknock); A. Allen (Mountjoy), R. W. Callaghan (Earlsfort House), S. Coe (Sandford Park), H. Gaw (Mountjoy), A. Hamilton (St. Andrews (captain) R. Sadlier (Galway Grammar), D. Vance (Portora) A. White (High School).

Other Schools—I. Starkie (Ampleforth); P. B. Cole (Trent College), J. A. Gregory (Rydal), D. J. Mooney (Sedbergh), G. S. M. Nesbitt (Sedbergh); E. O'Hare (Ampleforth), O. Flynn (Fort Augustus); J. P. Conyn (Oratory), J. F. Conan (Ampleforth), D. W. Fitzmaurice (Uppingham), R. Gunning (Uppingham), M. Law (Wellington), F. Lewis-Crosby (Harrow), P. F. O'Driscoll (Ampleforth) (captain), K. Wood (Mr. Hant Taylors).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE

Wanderers' Junior Schoolboys v. Blackrock Junior Schoolboys. Lansdowne road, 2.45.

TEAM.

Wanderers' Junior Schoolboys—M. Le Gear; C. A. Smith, R. E. Allen, D. Engerl, W. Potts, P. Richardshaw, R. Charles; N. Allen, A. Beatle, J. Greeniaus, J. Lough, N. Parkes (captain), H. Roberts, J. Stevenson, G Sullivan.

SCHOOLBOYS' RESULT.

Wanderers' Senior Schoolboys 15, Belvedere Senior Schoolboys 8.

LEOPARDSTOWN (RED CROSS Steeplechase) MEETING

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th

Tickets for Reserved and Grand Stand Enclosures, also Reserved Car Park, can now be obtained from the Secretary, Leopardstown Club, Foxrock, Co. Dublin.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY REMITTANCES

RESERVED ENCLOSURE AND MEMBERS' STAND	GENT. 15/- LADY 5/-
GRAND STAND	GENT. 9/- LADY 5/-
COURSE & GRAND STAND	GENT. 10/- LADY 6/-
RESERVED CAR PARK	CAR 5/-

TABLE TENNIS

LEINSTER OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

SEEDED PLAYER BEATEN IN SECOND ROUND

The Leinster Open Championships, which began at the Catholic Commercial Club, Upper O'Connell street, last night, attracted a very large entry, which included nearly all our leading players. An exception was Miss T. Whelan, the international, who recently won the East of Ireland Women's Singles, who, owing to a bereavement, could not play.

Men's singles is a very big list. C. A. Kemp, the Irish champion, who holds the title, is defending, and easily got through two rounds. H. S. Carlile, his most likely rival, also won a couple of rubbers, but he got a keen run from M. Heron, brother of Miss B. Heron, who holds the ladies' singles title. A fine performance in the second round of the men's singles was the victory of the young player, E. F. Ryan, over C. J. S. Bonynge, one of the seeded players. The match was a great one and ran to three hard sets. Details:—

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

First Round.

P. S. Harris beat R. W. Allen—21-16, 21-12.
T. Taylor beat E. A. Barrett—21-16, 21-16.
J. Prestage beat F. N. Wine—19-21, 21-19, 21-9.
M. G. O'Sullivan beat J. Paton—13-21, 21-14, 21-14.
H. Morris beat E. F. Batey—21-7, 21-6.
C. J. Bonynge beat A. Lowry—21-12, 20-22, 21-12.
E. F. Ryan beat M. A. Tannam—21-11, 21-10.
J. Hanrahan beat R. Hudson—21-10, 21-8.
F. J. Leach beat D. Sheridan—21-5, 21-15.
J. F. Tyndall beat C. J. Dean—18-21, 21-15, 21-17.
C. Colter beat A. R. Gillespie—21-13, 21-16.
W. Manahan beat H. N. Griffin—21-13, 21-17.
A. L. Hudson beat A. C. Hafner—21-11, 21-9.
R. P. Doherty beat W. Glasgow—21-12, 21-9.
W. A. Mundy beat H. Gaw—21-18, 21-9.
N. Neville beat M. Goff—21-16, 21-11.
H. C. Wine beat K. Hill—21-14, 21-13.
W. Kelly beat J. P. Gilthorpe—21-14, 21-13.
A. Thuillier beat J. W. Ebbs—21-19, 21-15.
M. Heron beat G. Lalle—21-5, 21-9, 21-15.

Second Round

C. A. Kemp beat C. S. Singh—21-4, 21-13.
W. F. Reid beat Harris—21-18, 27-21, 21-15.
Prestage beat Taylor—21-16, 18-21, 21-15.
Morris beat O'Sullivan—21-16, 15-21, 21-15.
Ryan beat Bonynge—19-21, 21-18, 21-19.
Tyndall beat Leach—22-20, 21-17.
Colter beat Manahan—21-14, 21-18.
Neville beat Mundy—21-17, 21-18.
Wine beat Kelly—15-21, 21-16, 21-15.
Heron beat H. Hnet—21-19, 21-16.
H. S. Carlile beat K. Mulvey—21-11, 21-13.

Third Round.

Kemp beat Reid—21-16, 21-19.
Morris beat Prestage—21-16, 21-15.
Carlile beat Heron—21-18, 11-21, 25-23.

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

First Round.

C. D. Colter and H. Doherty beat J. F. Tyndall and H. Wine—21-13, 21-14.

Second Round.

C. A. Kemp and E. F. Ryan beat M. O'Sullivan and T. Sutton—21-15, 21-10.

H. Morris and J. Prestage beat R. E. Thornton and J. P. Gilthorpe—21-13, 12-21, 21-17.

C. J. Dean and A. Rackett beat M. W. Heron and R. Hudson—21-11, 21-13.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

First Round.

Miss B. Heron beat Miss E. Naughton—21-15, 21-18.

Miss H. Clayton beat Miss D. Maddocks—21-15, 21-12.

Miss N. Keane beat Miss D. Russell—21-17, 21-10.

Second Round.

Miss E. Yeates beat Mrs. F. Byrne—21-13, 21-13.

Miss A. Nicholls beat Miss I. Booth—21-16, 21-12.

Miss A. Parkes beat Mrs. Doyle—19-21, 21-16, 21-19.

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME

8.30—C. R. Griffin, S. W. Coates, W. Daly, J. Foynes, Miss D. Smith, Miss E. Prescott, H. S. Carlile, C. Colter, D. J. Mundy, W. A. Mundy, Misses B. and M. Heron, Mrs. Byrne, C. J. Bonynge, Dean and Rackett, and all Dundalk competitors.

7.0—H. Morris, C. A. Kemp, F. Ryan, and J. Prestage.

7.30—J. F. Tyndall, L. Maher, H. Griffin, C. D. Colter, G. Grehan, A. Solomons, R. E. Thornton, C. R. Stack, J. Sutton, Mrs. Nicholl, Mrs. Doyle, Mrs. Griffin, and Miss E. Yeates.

8.0—H. C. Wine, F. J. Leach, A. E. Hudson, Miss Clayton, Miss J. Smith, A. R. Gillespie, P. S. Harris. All competitors in Men's and Women's Plates, and all other competitors.

SNOOKER

HEAVY HANDICAP FOR DAVIS

LEE LEADS CHAMPION ON FIRST DAY

Joe Davis had every reason to believe that the concession of 45 points in each frame is too big a handicap, even for a world champion, during the early play in his tournament best with Sydney Lee, at Thurston's, London, yesterday. Lee ended the first five frames with a lead of 4-1, and accomplished the feat in seventy minutes. He had only to make a small double-figure break to leave Davis with little chance of success. An instance of this was in the third frame, when Lee made a break of 46, and held a lead of 105-54.

Previously Davis had cleverly won the opening frame 115-61. In this he had a break of 47, and manœuvred the balls almost outside the scoring reach of his rival. The second frame, won by Lee at 86-89, actually finished level, Lee potting the re-spotted black after Davis had won the toss as to who should play first. Davis missed many simple looking shots, but he appeared to have every excuse for these errors when facing such big deficits.

In the evening Davis won three of the five frames, leaving Lee with a 6-4 lead at the close. In a remarkable fourth frame Lee, who had a break of 48, went to a 93-0 lead. Davis made a brilliant recovery, and, after useful breaks, cleared the table in a run of 34 to win 100-93.

UNBEATEN PLAYERS MEET

The two unbeaten players in the tournament, Alec Brown, last year's winner, and Fred Davis, began their best on level terms at Manchester yesterday. Brown had the best break of the opening session, in which he won three of the five frames, and in the evening he won four to lead 7-3 at the close.

CO. DOWN MAN SENTENCED

ASSAULTED COLONEL AND VICAR

Charged with attacking a Vicar, a retired lieutenant-colonel and another member of the local Voluntary War Services Organisation Committee, Malcolm Fletcher (29), a native of Co. Down, was, at Bournemouth yesterday, sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

He was charged with assaulting Lieutenant-Colonel Herbert Henry Knapp, retired; the Rev. Frederick C. Learoyd, Rural Dean and Vicar of St. Luke's, Bournemouth, and Robert Dommett, all members of the committee.

It was alleged that Fletcher came to the headquarters of the organisation, and demanded two shillings and also a suit of clothes.

Mr. Dommett said that when he refused to give him the money Fletcher knocked him down. Mr. Learoyd said that he went out to see Fletcher, who produced a small table knife. He (Mr. Learoyd) closed with him.

Colonel Knapp said that when he came out to the hall he saw Mr. Learoyd and Fletcher struggling, and Fletcher hit witness on the face.

Fletcher told the Court that he understood a suit of clothes was waiting for him. He had been drinking, and was now sorry for the whole thing.

PATROLS ACTIVE ON THE BORDER

AMMUNITION SEARCH CONTINUES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

NEWBLISS, Monday.

Throughout Sunday night and the early hours of this morning there was considerable police and military activity along the Fermanagh

WN (RED CROSS Steeplechase) MEETING

AY, JANUARY 20th

Reserved and Grand Stand
Reserved Car Parking, can now
the Secretary, Leopardstown
. Dublin.

BE ACCOMPANIED BY REMITTANCES

OSURE AND GENT. 15/-
AND - LADY 5/-
- - GENT. 9/-
- - LADY 5/-
STAND - GENT. 10/-
- LADY 6/-
ARK - CAR 5/-

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE

INTEREST CONTINUES TO BROADEN

Trading on the Dublin Stock Exchange was again of good dimensions yesterday and public interest continued to broaden. Price changes were for the most part small and some irregularity developed in places, but the undertone remained firm.

Home Government Funds were moderately busy and prices held steady to firm on small support, apart from 4 per cent. Conversion Loan, which eased to 99¼.

British Funds were again the outstanding feature of strength, and War Loan spurted 2½s. 3d. to 96½. Banks were on the dull side on the reductions in the dividends so far announced. Bank of Ireland stock fell three points to 260 and Munster and Leinsters changed hands at 99s. x.d.

Guinness Ord. closed above the worst, but were still pence lower on the day at 81s. Distillers Ord. hardened to 67s. 9d., and Bass Ord. quoted 115s. 9d.

Great Southern Rails inclined to give way, and the Guaranteed relapsed 2½ points to 30, while the Preference drooped to 15.

Alliance Gas Ord. repeated 23s. 6d., Milford (Donegal) Mills Ord. and Pref. were mentioned for the first time, but only in nominal markings. The Ord. were about 21s. and the Pref. 20s. 7½d.

Carroll Pref., Ever Ready (Ireland) Pref. and Smyth and Co. Ord. were all a shade harder, but Irish Sugar Pref. shaded off to 19s. 6d. Cement Ord. and Irish Tanners Ord. held steady, and Stephen's Green Cinema Ord. rose to 1s. 1½d.

Tobaccos enjoyed small demand, and B.A.T. Ord. rose to 96s, and Imperials to 118s. Textiles were not so brisk and looked a shade easier in places. Coats Ord. were called 34s. 9d., and Courtaulds 37s. 3d. English Sewing Cotton Ord. quoted 31s. 7½d., and Fine Spinners Ord. 6s. 7½d.

Dunlop Rubbers advised harder at 30s., but Imperial Chemical Ord. eased to 30s. Vickers Ord. inclined to harden, but Shell Transport Ord. drooped to 78s. x.d. Mexican Eagle Oils quoted 6s. 10½d., Wm. Hollins Ord. 12s. 5½d., and Tate and Lyle Ord. 57s.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

3% Second National Loan (under £200) ..... (108½) 108¾
3½% Fourth Loan (under £200)..... (89½) 89½
4% Conversion Loan ..... (99⅜) 99¼
3¼% Financial Agreement ..... (93⅝) 93⅝
Do. Deed *93⅝
4% Exchequer Bonds ..... (99) 99
4½% Land Bonds (under £200) ....(107⅛) 107
4% Land Bonds ..... (95) 95¼
Do. (under £200) ..... (95) 95

BRITISH FUNDS.

3½% War Loan ..... (95⅜₁₆) 95 11/16 *96¼
Do. Deed *95 15/16
Do. (Bank of England) *95⅞
3½% Conversion Loan ..... (94⅛) 96⅝
India 3½% Stock ..... (83½) 85⅝

CORPORATION STOCKS.

Dublin Port and Docks 5% (Bridge)...(98) *98

BANKS.

Bank of Ireland ..... (263) *260
Munster and Leinster ..... (101/-) 99/- x.d.

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

Bass Ord. *115/9
Do. 3½% Deb. 83¼
Distillers Ord. ..... (67/4½) 67/9
Guinness Ord. ..... (81/6) 80/6 80/9 81/-

RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.

Great Northern Ord. ..... (4) 4
Do. Deb. ..... (50) 47½b x.d.
Great Southern Pref. ..... (13½) *15
Do. Guar. ..... (32½) 30
Do. ..... (53) 50b 52½a x.d.

GAS.

Alliance Gas Ord. ..... (23/6) 23/6

BAKERY AND MILLING.

Milford (Donegal) Ord. 20/9b 21/3a
Do Pref. 20/6b 20/9a

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.

Burke (E. and J.) Deb. ..... (5) *5
Carroll Pref. ..... (21/6) 21/9
Cement Ord. ..... (25/7½) 25/7½
Ever Ready (Ireland) Pref. ..... (19/6) 20/-
Goulding Ord. ..... (22/6) 22/6b
Independent Pref. ..... (25/-) 25/-
Irish Sugar Pref. ..... (19/9) 19/6
Irish Tanners Ord. ..... (7/-) 7/-
Smyth and Co. Ord. ..... (10/4½) *10/6
Stephen's Green Cinema Ord. *1/1½

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.

B.A.T. Ord. ..... (95/9) 96/-
Coats (J. and P.) Ord. ...(36/4½) 34/3b 35/3a
Courtaulds Ord. ..... (37/1½) 37/-b 37/6a
Dunlop Rubbers ..... (30/6) 29/6b 30/6a
English Sewing Cotton Ord. ..... (32/-) 31/7½
Fine Spinners Ord. ..... (7/3¾) *6/7½
Do. Pref. ..... (15/-) *14/4½
Hollins (Wm.) Ord. 12/3¾
Imperial Chemical Ord. ..... (30/4½) 30/-
Imperial Tobacco Ord. ..... (117/7½) 118/-
Lever Bros. 20% Pref. ..... (16/6) 16/3
Mexican Eagle Oil *6/10½
Shell Transport Ord. ..... (80/-) 78/- x.d.
Tate and Lyle Ord. *57/-
Vickers Ord. ..... (18/3) 18/6b 19/6a
Woolworth Pref. ..... (28/-) 27/9

*Odd lot. n.asked. b.bid. c.cash.
(Previous prices are given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (changed October 26, 1939) ..... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred 3 %
Deposits under £2,000 ..... 1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over ..... 1½ %
The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

BELFAST EXCHANGE

3½ p.c. War Loan, 95⅛, ¼, 5/16, ⅜, ½, 9/16, 95, 9/16, 15/16; Midland Bank (fully), 9¾, 9⅞ (ex div.); Belfast Corporation 4¼ p.c. 1951, 103½; Belfast Harbour 3½ p.c. 1963, 92½; Birmingham 5½ p.c. 1941, 103⅜; British Celanese 1st Pref., 18s. 9d.; York Street Flax 6 p.c. Pref. 14s. 6d., 5s. 9d., 5s.; Lever and Unilever 7 p.c. Pref., 25s. 9d.; Imperial Chemical 7 p.c. Pref., 30s. 1½d.; Dunlop Rubber Ord. 29s. 6d.; Indian Iron and Steel, 65s., 65s. 3d.; S.A. Land, 9?s. 2½d.; Spaarwater, 3s. 3d.; White Tomkins Ord. offered at 32s.

CORK EXCHANGE

Second National Loan brought 108⅜; Financial Agreement Loan repeated 93⅝; 4 per cent. Exchequer Bonds (fully paid) unchanged, 99; War Loan advanced to 95⅛. Munster Banks dealt in at 99s. ex div.; Cannock Ord. unaltered, 30s.; Cork Gas, 7⅞; Guinness Ord. marked at 80s. 6d. and 80s. 9d.; Irish Tanners Ord., 7s.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING RETURN

Amount cleared week ended 6th January, 1940	Last Year. £	Increase. £
.....	11,825,100	10,614,600+1,210,800

COMPANY NOTICE.

THE NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED, 13 Old Broad street, London, E.C.2.

5th January, 1940.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors of the National Bank, Limited, will be held at No. 13 Old Broad street, London, E.C.2, on Thursday, the 25th January, 1940, at 12 noon of that day.

At this Meeting the Directors will submit their Report and Balance Sheet for the half-year to 31st December, 1939 and, pursuant to Clause 107 of the Articles of Association, three of the present Directors—viz., Michael Joseph Cooke, Esq.; Sir George Francis Murphy, Bart., and Rt. Hon. the Earl of Kenmare, C.V.O., will go out of office by rotation, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Owing to impaired health, Mr. John Philip Butler has resigned from the directorate, and, pursuant to Clause 92 of the Articles of Association, Mr. Hubert Briscoe has been appointed in his place, and the name of this gentleman will be submitted in the usual course for confirmation at the Meeting to be held in Dublin in July next.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Companies Act, 1929, Auditors will be appointed to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.

Messrs Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., and Messrs. Stokes Bros. and Pim, Chartered Accountants, the present Auditors, who are eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

T. S. GODBY, Secretary.

N.B.—The books of the Bank for the registration of transfer deeds (both in London and Dublin) will be Closed on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1940, and will so remain until after Saturday, the 20th day of the same month.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

RISE IN GILT-EDGED GATHERS FORCE

After a short period of hesitation, due, no doubt, to the Ministerial changes over the week-end, the London Stock Markets yesterday resumed their recent advance, with Gilt-edged securities again taking the lead on a further influx of speculative and investment inquiry, which lifted quotations even more sharply than on Friday. War Loan soared to 96⅜ with a jump of 1½, and similar improvements were marked by Old Consols and Conversion 3½ per cent., the former reaching 71⅞ and the latter 97½. Several other stocks also went ahead by substantial amounts, and the whole market finished on a strong note, business being maintained on an active scale right to the end.

Outstanding in the Foreign section was a resumption of demand for Far Eastern Loans, and, while Japan 6 per cent. of 1924 put on 1½ to 60½, Chinese Government issues established rises, ranging up to 2, the 4½ per cent. '1898 adding this amount to the level, 60. Brazilian descriptions also made a firm showing without attracting particular attention, but Europeans preserved a quiet appearance and remained around their previous closing rates

RAILS SUBDUED

Encouraging reports of the Great Western traffics had little effect on the British Rail market, where business proceeded very slowly, and dealers found it necessary to make only a few minor adjustments in quotations. Foreign Rails also experienced subdued conditions, and in the absence of further support Colonials were inclined to sag, Canadas finishing ¼ down at 74.

Trading in Industrials moved quietly, but the strength of Gilt-edged helped sentiment, and although few important movements occurred most groups displayed a cheerful tendency. The best feature was a revival of interest in the Aircraft section, where Bristols claimed the bulk of attention and developed marked strength. Iron and Steels maintained a firm appearance, with small rises here and there, and in late dealings Tobaccos took on a firm front under the lead of "Bats." Textiles became irregular owing to profit-taking, due to uncertainty about the new cotton control measures. The big Industrials, such as Chemicals and Distillers, held steady.

Mines provided less activity than of late, and after their recent improvement Kaffirs were inclined to move erratically, the De Beers issues being among those which fell back. West Africans moved narrowly in quiet trading, and little change occurred in the leading Base Metal issues.

Oil shares commanded scant attention, and the market generally was allowed to sag, though a firm exception was provided by Apex.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Monday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London cheerful.

Dublin irregular.

Manchester easier.

Birmingham undecided.

New York unsteady.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2 %
Last Year	2 %
Irish Bank Rate	3 %
London Three Months' Bills.....	1½ %
Silver (spot)	21 1/16d.
Price of Gold	168/-

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET

AIRCRAFT SHARES SUPPORTED

Although some irregularity was again noticeable in the Industrial market yesterday a fair amount of fresh support was given in places. Iron and Steel shares generally maintained a firm front and buying orders were received for Aircrafts at the recently reduced levels. Most of the leading equities ruled quietly steady, but Associated Cements, Spillers and Turner and Newall still lost ground. Tobaccos showed some improvement, but Breweries, Shipping and Textiles had a rather dull appearance. Insurance shares continued to reflect the rise in gilt-edged securities.

Trans-Atlantics gave a mixed display, with Cable and Wireless Pref. closing fractionally better at 95. Several moderate gains were recorded among Iron, Steel and Engineering issues, though here and there a little profit-taking was again in evidence.

A revival of interest was seen in the Aircraft section. Bristols further improved to 15s., while Handley Page strengthened to 15s. 9d., Hawker Siddeley to 15s. 3d., Faireys to 16s. 6d., Parnall to 5s. 9d. and Rolls-Royce to 4£.

Apart from Mitchells and Butlers, Breweries were inclined to sag, Guinness being 6d. easier at 82s. Tobaccos ruled quietly firm, with "Bats" marked up ⅟ to 4½, and "Imps" the turn higher at 5½.

Textiles were subject to further scattered realisations, but fresh support was given to J. and P. Coats, Patons and Baldwins and Wolsey "A." In the Banking section, Hong Kong and Shanghai were marked up 2 to 87 on the final dividend hopes. Further encouraging rises were seen among Insurance shares.

In the Miscellaneous group, Murex went ahead to 4⅟, but Associated Cement gave way to 2½, Spillers to 56s. and Turner and Newall to 62s. 6d.

OILS DECLINE THROUGH LACK OF SUPPORT

The Oil share market began the week in disappointing fashion yesterday. Business was on a poor scale, and in the absence of interest a distinctly easier tone developed. Most leading issues came on offer on an unwilling market in the early hours, and owing to the lack of support prices declined. Towards the close, however, a few buyers appeared and sellers withdrew, the market thus closing on a somewhat steadier note.

Shells were offered at the start and reacted rather sharply. After being offered at 3½, however, they rallied slightly to 3¾ ex div., thus closing ⅟ lower on balance. Royal Dutch fell a point to 34, but recovered, and finished only ¼ down at 34½. Anglo-Iranians and Burmahs also lacked support, and with a modest amount of stock on offer they both receded. The former closed ⅟ lower at 2¾, and the latter ⅟ down at 3⅟. Mexican and Canadian Eagles were both a trifle easier at the close.

Among Trinidads, Apex continued to attract attention, and actually closed 6d. to the good at 27s. ex div. Other Trinidads were quietly steady.

In other directions the publication of the Anglo-Ecuadorian report, which revealed a sharp fall in profits, was reflected in a decline of a few pence in the £1 Stock units to 19s. 4½d. ex div. Lobitos, which were also ex div., reacted in sympathy, and closed ⅟ down on balance at 1½.

RUBBERS FEATURELESS

The quiet and uninteresting conditions, which had prevailed in the Rubber share market throughout the whole of the past week, were unrelieved yesterday. The modest business that did take place was about equally divided between small selling and buying orders, which, in any case, had little influence on quotations. The leading issues were neglected. The raw Rubber market remained very quiet, and spot closed without alteration on the day at 11½d.

FINANCIAL NOTES AND NEWS

Rail Dividends and Meetings

The Great Western Railway will make its dividend announcement on February 14, while the annual meeting will be held on the 28th of that month. L.N.E.R. dates are February 16 and March 1, respectively, while the comparable Southern dates are February 16 and 28. No decision has been reached by the L.M.S.

Company Notes

Notices regarding the closing of transfer books, and time, place, and dates of their annual meetings, are advertised in this issue by the National Bank, Ltd., and the Grand Canal Company.

Vickers' Dividend Outlook

Last week's buying of Vickers Ord. stock is said to have been mainly for provincial centres, which ought to be well acquainted with the group's activities. The 1939 report is due in March, and in anticipation the results are being talked substantially higher. Last year's peak was 24s. 4½d., while the 1938 best was 26s. 9d. Since the 50 per cent. scrip bonus was distributed at the end of 1935 the cash distributions have been maintained at 10 per cent. For 1938 the available earnings on the Ordinary stock were 22, against 21¼ per cent. At the current price the yield shown is £5 8s. per cent. Taking the 1936-'37 base years, it would look as though Vickers ought to be able to claim an E.P.T. standard equal to approximately 20 per cent. on its Ordinary capital. Thanks to the drastic reorganisation carried through in 1926, the capital structure is a healthy one, says the Diarist writing in the *Financial Times*. In 1914-'18 Vickers earned and, in spite of E.P.T., distributed very large sums. The fact that later a price for this overgenerosity had to be paid will, doubtless, lead to a more conservative dividend policy this time.

THE NATIONAL BANK

NEW DIRECTOR

Owing to impaired health, Mr. J. P. Butler has resigned from the Board of the National Bank, Limited, and in his place

MR. HUBERT BRISCOE.

Mr. Hubert Briscoe, of Brennanstown House, Cabinteely, Co. Dublin, has been appointed a director of the bank.

THE MONEY MARKET

SILVER DEARER

Gold was unchanged yesterday at 168s. per fine ounce. Money was in comfortable supply at 15s. to £1 per cent. Discount rates were steady, with short and three months' bills at £1 4 per cent. Silver rose ¼d. for cash to 21 1/16d. a standard ounce, but the forward price was only ⅛d. up at 21¾d.

Although the changes in official rates left the American and Canadian dollars without net change middle rates for the belga and the guilder were weaker. Thus, the belga was quoted at 23.90-24.05, compared with 23.75-24.00 on Saturday and the guilder at 7.52-7.57, against 7.50-7.56 previously. Argentine dollars were also down on balance at 17.87½; against 17.75; but Swiss francs were slightly better. Outside the official group, the Danish krone eased from 20½ to 20¾, and the Chinese dollar from 4⅞d. to 4¾d.

RATES OF EXCHANGE

IMPORTANT CHANGES

Important alterations in the official exchange rates were made by the Bank of England yesterday. Changes will help trade by giving the exporter and importer a more attractive rate. In most cases they leave the middle rate unaltered, but in the case of some continental rates the changes do result in a net change in the value of the currency, as expressed in terms of sterling. It may be assumed, however, that these net changes were rendered necessary by recent movements in the free markets elsewhere, and would, in fact, have been made in any event. Yesterday's alterations do not, therefore, indicate any intention to change the world value of the pound.

Centre	January 8 Closing Rates	January 6 Closing Rates	Parity before 20/9/31
New York*	4.02½ 4.03½	4.02 4.04	4.86⅔
Montreal*	4.43 4.47	4.43 4.47	4.86⅔
Amst'dam*	7.52 7.57	7.50 7.56	12.10
Brussels*	23.90 24.05	23.75 24.00	35.00
Copenh'g n	20⅛ 20⅜	20⅛ 20⅜	18.15
Geneva*...	17.85 17.95	17.90 17.95	25.22
Madrid....	38¾ sellers	39¼ sellers	25.22
Milan	76½ 76½	76½ 76½	92.46
Oslo*	17.65 17.75	17.65 17.75	18.15
Paris*	176¼ 176¾	176 176¾	124.21
Stockholm*	16.85 16.95	16.85 16.95	18.15
Alexandria	97⅞ 97⅞	97⅝ 97⅞	97.5
Athens	535 sellers	535 sellers	375
Helsingf's	220 sellers	220 sellers	193.2
Lisbon	107½ 108½	107½ 108½	110
B. Aires*	17.75 18.00	17.50 18.00	47.577
Lima 90d'y	19½ 21½	19½ 21½	17.38
M'video ...	21½ 23½	21½ 23½	51 1/16
Rio de Jan.	3⅜ sellers	3⅜ sellers	5.89
Valparaiso	110 sellers	110 sellers	408
Calcutta....	17 15/16 18 1/16	17 15/16 18 1/16	18
Hongkong	14 15/16 15 1/16	14 15/16 15 1/16	—
Kobe(Jap.	14¼ 14½	14¼ 14½	42
Shanghai	4½ 5	4⅝ 5	5½
Singapore	28 1/16 28 3/16	28 1/16 28 3/16	28d.

*Rates fixed by Bank of England. All others are free market rates.

INSURANCE SHARES

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Alliance, 20, 4; Atlas, 11-; Commercial Union, 7-; Eagle Star Ord., 62/10, 6d., 3/- 3d., 9d.; Employers', 66/9, 8/6, 7/6; General Accident, 75/-, 6d.; Guardian, 11½, ½; London Assurance, 12½, 2, ½; North British and Mercantile, 10/-; Northern, 15s.; Phœnix, 11½, ½, £11 16/6, do. £1 (f.p.), 14, 15s., ½, £14 1/9, £13 19/-; Prudential, 23s., ½, ¼, ⅛, do. "B" £1 (4/- pd.), 6s/9, 9/4½, 5d.; Royal Exchange, 7½; Royal Insurance, 77/-, ½, ⅛, ¼; Sun Insurance, 71/-, 70/-; Sun Life, 6½, 6d.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Commercial Union, 7½; General Accident, 76/2½; London and Lancashire, 23¾; Phœnix, 400001, etc., 13/6; Royal, 71½.

It was reported at a meeting of the Lighting Committee of Derry Corporation yesterday that there was great difficulty in getting adequate supplies of coal.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum. div. ‖ Ex bonus

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.	Rise or fall
Consols 2½%	71¼ 71½	+ 1/8
Do 4%	106 106¼	+ 1/8
3½% War Loan	96½ 96¾	+ 1/4
Funding Loan	109⅞ 110⅛	+ ¼
Victory Bonds	108⅞ 109⅛	+ ¼
5% Conversion Loan	109⅝ 99⅞	+ ¼
3½% do.	97 97¼	+ 1/8
4½% do.	101⅛ 101⅜	+ 1/16
5% do.	109⅛ 109⅜	+ ⅛
2¾% Land (1903)	75⅛ 78½	+ ½
I.F.S. 4½% Land Bonds	106 108	
India 3%	72½ 74½	+ ½
Do 3½%	84½ 85½	
Local Loans	82⅜ 82⅝	+ ⅛

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS

Aust. 5% 1945-75	103⅛ 104¼	+ ¼
Canada 4% 1940-60	101½ 102	+ ¼
New Zealand 5% 1952-55	83½ 84½	+ ½
Queensland 5% 1940-60	101¼ 102¼	+ ¼
S. African 3% 1954-64	89½ 90½	+ ½
S. Australian 5% 1945-75	103 104	+ ¼
Victoria 4% 1940-60	97¼ 98⅛	+ ¼
W. Australian 5% 1945-75	102½ 103½	+ ¼

FOREIGN STOCKS

Aug 31.

10-2	Brazil 6½% 1927	15	
15	Do. 5% Fdg. 1889	26½	+ ½
50	Chinese 4½% 1898	60	+2
21	Do 5% 1912	27	+1½
52	Czecho-Slov. Bds.	53	
66	Egyptian Unified	75 80	
10¼	French Loan 4%	10½	
27½	German 7%	4 7	
39	Japan 6% 1924	60½	+1½

BRITISH RAILS.

26	Great Western	35½ 38½	— ¼
80	Do 5% Pref.	88 90	
11½	L.M.S. Ord.	14 14⅜	
4	L.N.E. 5% P. Ord.	3½ 4¼	
3	Do Def. Ord.	2⅛ 2⅝	
107	L. & Port 5% "A"	110 113	
56	Southern Pf. Ord.	65 67	+ ½
11¼	Do Def. Ord.	13 14	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS

32	Arg. G. W 5% Deb	38½ 40½	— ½
50½	Do A Mtg 4% Deb	56 60	
6½	Buenos Ayres Gt.	7½ 9½	
49	Do 4% Deb.	56 58	— ½
56½	B.A. Pac. 4% Deb.	61 63	— ½
29	Do. Cons. Deb.	35 37	— ½
4	B. Ayres & W.	6 7	— ½
40½	Do 4% Deb.	51½ 53½	— ½
4	Canadian Pacific	7⅞ 7⅞	— ⅛
62½	Do 4% Deb.	76 79	
49	Cent. Arg. 4% Deb	57½ 59½	— ½
50	Do. 5% Deb. '9-81	64 66	— ½
53½	Cordoba Cent. Deb	65½ 67½	
89	Gd Trunk 4% Gtr.	96 100	
21½	San Paulo Ord....	37 39	

OILS

Aug 31.

3⅝	Anglo Iranian Ord.	2⅝ 3	— 1/16
23/3	Apex Trinidad ...	26/6 27/6*	+0/6
2⅝	Attock	2¾ 3	
3¼	Burmah	3⅛ 3⅜	— 1/32
7/9	Canadian Eagle..	8/7½ 9/1 3/8*	—0/1½
3¼	Caribbean Oil (3/4)	3/7½ 4/1½	
1 9/16	Lobitos	1 15/16 1 31/32	— 1/32
10/0	Lon & Th Hav.	9/6 10/6	
5/1½	Mexican Eagle	6/9 7/3	—0/1½
5/6	Phœnix	5/9 5/11	
35½	Royal Dutch	34¼ 34⅜	— ½
4 3/32	Shell Transport	3 1/16 3 7/8*	— 3/32
4 3/32	Trinidad Lease.	3⅞ 3⅞	
46/0	Trinidad Pet. Dev	46/0 47/0	
1	V.O.C. Holdings	1 1/8 1 3/16	— 1/16

** Dealings between British subjects by negotiation, subject to final Treasury approval.

RUBBERS

Aug 31.

23/4½	Anglo-Dutch	26/9	—0/3
7/6	Anglo Malay	8/6	
2/0	Bukit Mertajam	2/4½	
0/9	Bukit Sembawang	0/9	
9/7½	Grand Central	11/10½	
20/7½	Highlands	26/3	
7/4½	Jugra Lands	8/7½	
19/4½	Kuala Lumpur	24/6	
3/4½	London Asiatic	3 15/16	
15/10½	Malacca	19/4½	
27/0	Malayalam	39/3	
2/6	Merlimau Pegoh	2/10½	
11/0	Orient Trust	12/10½	
26/0	Rubber Trust	34/6	
18/7½	Tandjong	18/9	
13/0	Tandjong Malim	15/0	
45/3	United Sua Betong	55/4½	+0/4½
6/4½	Vallambrosa	7/0	

TEAS.

Ang.-Ceylon	1¼	Empire	15½
Ceylon Plant	1¾	Imperial	13½
Co. Tea & L.	1⅝	Jokai	1 15/16
Dooars	1¾	Nedeem	1 1/16

BANKS.

Bank of England	323	327 +1
Bank of Montreal	43	49
Barclay "A"	9 1/16	9 11/16*
Lloyds	48 6	50/0
Martins, £20 (£2½ paid)	7⅞	7⅞
Midland	8 1/16	8¼*
National Prov. (£4 pd.)	1⅞	2⅛ +⅛
Standard of S. Africa	12¾	13 +⅛
Westminster	21 3/16	3 3/16*
Do £4 £1 paid	74/3	75/0*

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

6 1/2	Bass Ord	113/6	115/6 —0.6
17/0	Brew's of Van...	16/6	17/6
93/0	Distillers Ord.	57/6	68/6
93/9	Guinness Ord.	81/0	83/0 —0/6
4⅞	Ind. Coope Allsopp	75/0	77/0
60/0	Watney Combe Def	52/0	54/0

DRAPERY AND STORES.

11/6	Burton (M.) Ord.	15 32	19 32
16/6	Gamage (A. W.)...	14/6	15/6
51/0	Harrods	39/6	40/6
2 3/32	Marks & Spcr (5/-)	52/0	53/0
21/3	O.K. Bazaars "A"	21/3	23/9
62/6	Woolworth Ord	62/0	63/0 —0/3

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENTS.

39/0	Assoc. El. Indus.	37/6	38/6
17/9	Crompton Parkin.	17/3	18/3
18/0	Ever Ready (5/-)	26/6	27/6
75/0	General Electric.	74/3	75/3
18/0	Henley's Tel (5/-)	17/6	19/6
21/6	Siemens	19/3	20/3

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

29/6	City of London...	25/6	27/6
39/0	County of London	34/0	36/0
23/0	Edmundsons	21/3	22/3 —0/3

INSURANCE.

22	Alliance New ...	19½	20¼ +⅜
25	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£2 paid)	23½	24½ + 1/2
17 9	Pearl (£1)	13¾	14¼
12	Phœnix £10 (£2 p.)	11¾	12½ + ¼
31	Prudential	23⅜	23⅞ + ¼
8	Royal Exchange	7⅝	7⅞ + ⅛
7¾	Royal £1 (10/- p.)	7¼	7⅝
6¾	Sun Life £1 p.p.	6¼	6¾

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

16/3	Allied Iron ...	21 32	25 32
46/0	Babcock & Wilcox	42/9	43/9
5/0	Baldwins	6/1½	6/7½
43/9	Bolsover Colliery..	44/0	45/0
28/0	Brown (J.) (10/-)	29/6	30/6
26/6	B.S.A.	21/3	22/3
7/0	Cammell L'rd (5/-)	8/0	8/6 —0/1½
22/0	Colville Ord. (£1)	21/9	22/9 —0/3
7/4½	Consett Iron ...	8/0	9/0 +0/4½
86/0	Cory (William) ...	80/9	81/9
27/0	Dorman Long ...	26/9	27/9
66/3	Firth, Brown ...	64/6	65/6
23/9	Guest, Kees. ...	23/3	24/3 +0/3
25/0	Hadfields (10/-)...	24/6	26/6 +0/3
10/9	Pease & Partners	11/0	11/6
15/0	Powell Duffryn..	14/6	15/6
26/6	Ruston & Hornsby	29/0	30/0
30/6	S. Durham Steel	33/3	34/3
42/9	Stewart & Lloyds Df.	42/6	43/6
3/3	Thomas (R.)	3/6	4/0
22/6	United Steel	21/6	22/6 —0/3
17 4½	Vickers Ord.	18/6	19/0 +0/3

LAND AND INVESTMENT

Aug. 31.

15/6	Forestal Land ...	22/6	23/6 +0/6
17/6	Hudson's Bay ...	25/0	26/0
23/3	Sudan Plantations	33/6	34/6

MOTORS AND AEROPLANES

1⅜	Austin Motor (5/-)	16/0	17/0 +0/3
5/6	Boulton & Paul..	5 16	5 32
16/6	Bristol Aero (10/-)	13/9	14/9
36/0	De Havilland	30/6	32/6
18/9	Fairey Aviation...	16/0	17/0 +0/3
16/6	Ford Motors	13/9	14/9
1⅝	Handley Page Pf.	1 3 32	1 5 32
15/6	Hawker Sidd. (5/-)	14/9	15/9 +0/9
32/0	Imperial Airways..	1⅝	1¾ +1 32
4⅜	Leyland Motors...	3½	4
30/6	Morris Motors ...	23/6	24/6
5 16	Rolls Royce	4 15 16	4 31 16 +1 32
15/0	Standard	11/3	12/3
2 32	Tilling (Thomas)..	1 15 16	2 1/16

NEWSPAPERS

15/3	Allied News. Ord.	12/0	13/0 +0/6
7/0	Assoc. News Def.	8/3	9/3 +0/3
17/6	Daily Mail Trust	16/3	17/3 +0/3
5/0	Odhams Press (4/-)	3/0	4/0

REFRESHMENT AND FOOD

16/0	Aerated Bread ...	8/6	9/6 +0/3
17/6	Bovril Def.	20/6	21/6
4/4½	Home & Col. (4/-)	4/0	4/6
10/7½	Internat. Tea (5/-)	11/9	12/9 +0/3
5 32	Lyons (J.)	3⅜	4
2/6	Maypole Def. ...	2/6	3/0
4/6	Scribbans	6/0	7/0
38/1½	Schweppes Ord...	1 19 32	1 23 32

SHIPPING

8/6	Coast Lines	9/6	10/6
2/6	Cunard Ord.	3/0	3/6
3/1½	E.D. Realisation.	1/0	2/0*
18/3	Furness Withy ..	19/0	20/0
18/0	P. & O. Def. (£3)	20/3	21/3
3/1½	R.M. Realisation.	2/6	3/0

TEXTILES AND ART. SILK

2/4½	Bleachers	4/6	5/0 —0/3
3/0	Bradford Dyers...	7/0	7/9
7/6	British Celanese...	7/6	7/9 —0/7½
4/0	Calico Printers...	7/0	7/9 —0/1½
3½	Can. Celanese ...	6¾	7
29/0	Coats	33/0	35/9 +0/10½
28/9	Courtaulds	36/9	37/9
25/7½	Eng. Sew. Cotton	31/3	32/6
2/6	Fine Spinners ...	6/0	6/9 —0/9
27 16	Patons & Baldwins	58/0	59/0 +1/0

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A YEAR OF PREPARATION

THE CIVIC GUARDS IN 1939

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TACA SIOCHANA

FOR the Garda Siochana 1939 was mainly a year of quiet preparation and continuous improvement. Under the steadying influence of the men at the top plans for increased efficiency were successfully put into operation.

AN TACA

From the point of view of public interest, the outstanding event was the establishment of the Taca Siochana, a supplementary police force of a purely temporary character, recruited from the waiting list of some thousands. An Taca, literally the peace prop, represents a selection of the outstanding men of physique and character from the list of applicants for entrance to the Garda Siochana, three hundred and twenty strong, whose recruitment had two contributing factors — the situation of emergency created by international conditions, and the extremely heavy burden placed on the Garda proper by reason of increased duties due to developments in social legislation and the reduced strength of the force, which has not had recruiting for four years. The remarkable organising ability of the Garda machine was reflected in the manner in which the new force was brought into being almost at a moment's notice, given a necessarily short training, and applied to ordinary police duty with a striking measure of success. The new men have been allocated to the Metropolitan Division, and their conditions provide for the payment of £3 per week, with uniform, the appointments being terminable at a fortnight's notice, and the Commissioner having summary disciplinary powers.

It is possible that eventually the most suitable of these men, or a number of the most suitable, will secure appointment in the Garda Siochana, but they will first be subject to the necessary statutory examinations by the Civil Service Commission.

"CALLING ALL CARS"

Special attention was paid by the authorities during the past year to the Metropolitan Division, to which Assistant-Commissioner Mr. G. Brennan was assigned in charge. Arrangements have been made here for the provision early in the new year of radio equipment which is expected to considerably improve the mobility of the force, and will ensure continuous communication from all parts of the area with headquarters. It is thought likely that in addition to fitting cars with the equipment, it will be found practicable to equip some of the foot police with the receiving apparatus. The main idea of this development is to place the police on a better level with the criminal who at present enjoys the appreciable advantage of a good start. The police force in England have found that radio equipment is an important factor in speeding up the pace of police action in an emergency.

The appointments made during the year included the promotion of Superintendent Patrick Sheridan, formerly Acting Chief Superintendent, in charge of the Technical Bureau. He is now Chief Superintendent attached to the Crimes Branch at Headquarters. Superintendent Thomas Collins was promoted Chief Superintendent in charge of the Irish-speaking Division of Galway West. Incidentally the Irish-speaking Division has been sharing in the results of the efficiency programme, and spreading the area over which duties are being performed through the medium of Irish.

The Garda deplored the death during the year of its Assistant Commissioner, Mr. Eamonn Cullen, for he was one of the earliest officers in the force, having been appointed Assistant Commissioner back in 1924, and the force owed him a debt of gratitude for his energy and ability.

CRIME STATISTICS

Crime statistics are not yet available for last year, but in the previous year indictable crime increased from 6,232 cases to 6,769 cases, and the percentage of detection was 63 per cent. for 1938 and 68 per cent. in the previous year. There were nine murders in 1938, and proceedings were instituted in eight cases. A feature of larceny offences in recent years is the increasing number of pedal cycles being stolen. In 1938 no fewer than 2,221 bicycles were taken from their owners, and 1,732 were recovered. One hundred and ninety-nine motor cars were taken or stolen, and all of them were recovered. The value of property stolen in 1938 was £20,067, of which £9,047 was recovered—a percentage of 45. Of 4,963 persons charged with indictable crime, 3,914 were convicted, a percentage of 79. There was a slight increase in the incidence of juvenile crime, the offenders forming 33 per cent. of the total number charged with indictable crime. Prosecutions for non-indictable offences jumped to 104,188, of which the Highway Acts accounted for 61,929, or 59.4 per cent.

SCOTT MEDALS

Four members of the Force were awarded Scott Medals for acts of outstanding gallantry in the last year. Silver medals were awarded by the Minister for Justice to Garda Marius Patten, Ballina, and Garda Ml. McGillion, Rathmines, Dublin, while bronze medals were received by Garda John J. Conway, Irishtown, Dublin, and Garda Daniel J. Manley, Tuam.

Superintendent T. J. O'Neill, who was assistant to the Chief Superintendent of the Dublin Metropolitan Division, retired, after 40 years' service.

Assistant Commissioner G. Brennan was appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Garda in place of the late Deputy Commissioner, Mr. E. Cullen.

Chief Superintendent P. J. Carroll, who had been assistant to Deputy Commissioner Cullen, has been appointed Assistant Commissioner. Mr. Brennan is a native of Kilkenny, and Mr. Carroll belongs to Clones.

WOODEN WINDOW FRAMES

DUBLIN CORPORATION'S DECISION

Dublin Corporation decided last night, by 12 votes to 4, to use wooden sashes instead of steel frames for the windows of houses in a new housing scheme at Crumlin. The City Architect (Mr. H. G. Simms) stated that there would be a saving of £1,225 on the contract if steel frames were used. He also stated that there were between 300 and 400 standards of red deal timber already in Dublin, and further supplies were expected shortly. About 35 standards would be required for this particular contract. The price of the timber had, however, increased recently by £50 a standard. There was sufficient supplies of Canadian spruce in Dublin for six months.

Mr. J. Larkin said that when the contract was closed there were 400 standards of red deal in Dublin, although the contractors had stated that it was not possible to get sufficient timber for wooden frames. There was grave unemployment among skilled men in the building trade, and it would be more economic to keep a skilled man working on the job rather than to throw him on the Labour Exchange or drive him out of the city.

The motion to use wooden sashes was proposed by Alderman T. Kelly, T.D., and seconded by Senator D. Healy.

Bride and bridegroom were both septuagenarians at a wedding at the Free Presbyterian Church Manse, Dingwall. The bride was a 70-year-old widow, Mrs. Hughina MacLeod, of Halkirk, and the groom 74-year-old Hector MacLean, of Dingwall.

AUCTIONS.

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

SAID TO HAVE RUN AWAY

DUBLIN MAN'S ARREST AFTER CHASE

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

William Mulligan (24), described as a carpenter, 4 Berkeley street, Dublin, was remanded for a week, charged with being a member of an unlawful organisation, with resisting arrest, and with refusing to give an account of his movements on December 23 last.

A detective gave evidence that between 1 and 2 p.m. last Saturday he and another detective approached Mulligan, who was walking with a woman in Berkeley street, told him they were police officers, and that they were detaining him under Section 30 of the Offences Against the State Act. The detective who was with witness put his hands on Mulligan's outside pockets to find whether he was armed. Mulligan broke away and ran towards 4 Berkeley street, where he was caught by three other detectives. Mulligan continued to struggle until eventually he was put into a motor car which was waiting, and taken to the Bridewell.

A superintendent of the Civic Guard stated that that morning he charged Mulligan, who, having been cautioned, said: "Carry on."

MILK VENDOR FINED

(BEFORE MR. HANNAN.)

Mrs. Jane Burke, The Dairy, 5 Harold's Cross road, Dublin, was fined £4 on a charge of selling a pint of milk which contained less than the prescribed percentage of milk fat.

It was stated that the milk contained 2.75 per cent. of milk fat, whereas it should have contained at least 3 per cent.

Mrs. Burke said that she had bought the milk and had not interfered with it. She had been eleven years in business and had not been summoned before.

Mr. Bonass, Assistant Law Agent for the Dublin Corporation, prosecuted; and Mr. D. Hanly, solicitor, defended.

HIGH PRAISE FOR POLICE OFFICER

(BEFORE MR. HANNAN.)

In a prosecution under the Shops (Hours of Trading) Act, the Justice referring to Civic Guard McWilliams (39B), who had given evidence, observed: "He is one of the shrewdest, coolest and ablest Guards in Dublin."

Mr. D. O Donnchadha, solicitor (Chief State Solicitor's Office), prosecuted; Mr. W. O'B. Fitzgerald (instructed by Messrs. O'Hagan and Son) appeared for the defendants, and Mr. F. Connolly, solicitor, represented the Irish Motor Mechanics' Trades Union.

DECLARATIONS MADE

Before the Chief Justice, in the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. Hugh McCann, Barrister-at-Law, made the declaration required on his appointment as a temporary Justice of the District Court.

Judge O'Brien made the declaration required on his appointment as Chairman of the Railway Tribunal for a further period of twelve months.

A LEGACY OF PALMERSTON

BRITISH CHECK TO GERMAN SEA-POWER

Considering that British and German seamen always contrive to be the best of friends in peace time (states *The Shipbuilding and Shipping Record*), there are many people who find it difficult to understand why the British Navy is always the special target of German political propaganda, and has been for many years. The facts that it has stood between Germany and world power and has always been superior to the German Fleet have, of course, a great influence, but it dates back from before the days of dreams of world power and big navies.

To trace its origin one has to go back to the Prussian-Danish war of 1849-1852, over the Duchies of Schleswig and Holstein, when the Germans, overwhelming on land, suffered the indignity of having their coasts blockaded and their shipping kept in port by the Danish Navy. The Frankfort Diet of the Germanic Confederation—for the Empire was then only a loose alliance of separate States —determined to have a navy, too, and collected a motley fleet, ranging from two of the pioneer Cunard paddlers to ancient East Indiamen. Some of their ships engaged a Dane within the territorial waters of Heligoland, then British, and Lord Palmerston sent a note that the ensign of the Confederation had not sought international recognition at sea, and that all armed ships flying it must be regarded as pirates.

That was just the opportunity for which the inland German States had been waiting—they had strongly objected to paying for the Navy, from which they felt that only Prussia and Oldenburg were getting any benefit—and they insisted that the Fleet should be disbanded. So it came to an undignified end under the hammer of the auctioneer, the General Steam Navigation Company buying its most useful ships to run as merchantmen, but, although Prussia maintained her own navy, she never forgave Britain for administering this check to German sea power and preventing her getting coastal and commerce protection so largely at other people's expense.

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FUNERALS

MR. JOHN M. CAREY

The funeral of Mr. John M. Carey, 236 Rathmines road, Lower, took place to Glasnevin Cemetery yesterday, after Requiem Mass in the Church of Our Lady of Refuge, Rathmines. The celebrant of the Mass was the Very Rev. R. Canon Fleming, P.P., and the prayers at the graveside were said by the Rev. T. Fagan, C.M., All Hallows College.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. Carey (widow), Mr. Patrick Carey (father), Mr. Patrick A. Carey (brother), Miss May Carey, Mrs. Brigid Keogh and Mrs. Bertha Jackson (sisters); Messrs. B. and M. Murtagh (nephews); the Misses Rita and Eileen Browne (nieces); Mrs. C. Gallagher (aunt), Mr. and Mrs. Murtagh, Messrs. Leo Jackson, Albert Jackson, Patrick O'Toole and Richard Cullen, Mrs. C. Carey, Mrs. E. Browne and Mrs. P. A. Carey (relatives).

Among those also present were:—Messrs. W. Foley, A. A. O'Malley, W. Ferguson, T. J. Condy, J. Corrigan, M. E. Craddock, M. C. Rabill, R. Holland, J. Mooney, F. W. Delany, M. T. Healy, J. Tormey, J. Colman (jun.), J. Colman, J. Burton, F. Byrne, M. F. McCormac, B. Cullen and G. S. Daly.

MR. JAMES WALSH

After Solemn Requiem Mass in the Church of St. Peter and Paul, Balbriggan, yesterday, the funeral of Mr. James Walsh, late of the Royal Irish Constabulary, took place to Balscaddon Cemetery. The celebrant of the Mass was the Very Rev. Joseph Hickey, P.P. The Rev. J. O'Doherty, C.C., was deacon and the Rev. Fr. Kevin was sub-deacon. The Absolution was given by the Very Rev. Jos. Hickey.

The chief mourners were:—Dr. P. B. Walsh, Medical Officer of Health, Messrs. Christopher and William Walsh (sons), the Misses Lily and Maisie Walsh (daughters); Mr. C. White (son-in-law), Mrs. T. D. Walsh (daughter-in-law), Mrs. A. Kelahan, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Nealon.

The general attendance included:—Mr. H. M. Dardis (representing the Dublin Health Board), Mr. D. L. McGowan, Miss J. McGowan, Mr. W. E. Cox, Mr. W. F. Sweeney, Mr. W. T. Cumiskey, T.C.; Mr. C. J. Gallen, Mr. R. F. Webster, Sergeant P. J. Walsh, Sergeant Scanlan, Guards Regan and Connolly, Miss Maguire, Miss Sharkey, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Patton, Mrs. Webster, Miss Savage, Mr. T. Heeney.

Mr. N. J. Heeney, Mr. Joseph Larkin, Mr. F. X. McGowan, Mr. F. J. Larkin, Mr. J. W. Bannon, Mr. E. G. Scanlon, Mr. H. R. Scanlon, Mr. John Cullen, Mr. and Mrs. J. McNally, Mr. P. J. Griffon, Mr. P. Hoban, Miss A. and J. Morgan, Mr. J. White, Mr. R. C. Seaver, Mr. M. Gaffney, Miss E. Wade, Mr. M. J. Murphy (Secretary, Dublin County Council), and Mr. J. Sexton.

The Seventh Port of Dublin Sea Scouts, represented by Skipper J. McGee and Mate F. White, and the Thirty-Fourth Dublin Troop, Catholic Boy Scouts, under Scoutmaster C. W. Cummins, provided a guard of honour.

TRANSPORT FOR SCHOOL-CHILDREN

The provision of a transport service to national schools of children of school-going age resident in the new housing areas at Ellenfield and Larkfield is being considered by the Department of Education, and Dublin Corporation last night decided to ask the Taoiseach to receive a deputation on the matter.

INJURED IN MOTOR COLLISIONS

Following a collision between two motor cars at Mount Merrion yesterday evening, a young woman, Miss Daisy Millett, of The Rise, Greenfield road, was taken to Monkstown Hospital suffering from severe bruising of the right leg and arm and a scalp wound. Subsequently she was removed to the Royal City of Dublin Hospital, where her injuries were treated. Later it was stated that she was fairly comfortable.

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